

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT 2015-16 Arizona Hunting Regulations

PLEASE SEE REVISION ON PAGE 13.



This booklet includes annual regulations for statewide hunting of deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall buffalo, fall bear, mountain lion, small game and other huntable wildlife.*

Hunt permit application deadline is Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 11:59 p.m. MST.

You may purchase Arizona hunting licenses and apply for the draw online.

To report violators, call the Department's Operation Game Thief line: (800) 352-0700.

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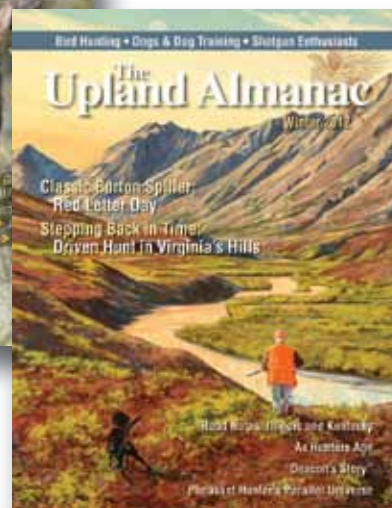
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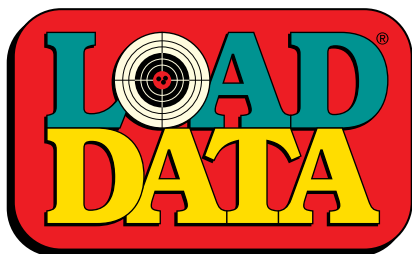


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From the Director's Desk

Recently, I was following my dog, Opie, through knee-high grass in the rolling hills near the Mexican border. The late-winter day was bright and cool, as such days in southeast Arizona often are, and rains had washed the sky clear. Standing on an oak-studded ridge, I looked far into Mexico, wondering what I might discover there. As Opie dropped into a narrow draw below me and headed toward the mountains not far to the east, I followed expectantly, hoping for a covey of Mearns' quail.

A clear rivulet of water twisted and tumbled over a rocky bed. Small ferns poked through moss on the overhangs of boulders. Rough-barked evergreen oaks cast deep shadows. As soon as I entered the drainage, all thought of quail left my mind and the whole of my person was filled with the earthy musk of the riparian and my need to explore. Each newly exposed segment of this small canyon seemed more beautiful than the previous. I was drawn from one bend to the next.

The draw narrowed. Soon, I found a large pool carved deep into the bedrock. Bright water cascaded noisily into the pool at its head. Taking a seat, I watched Opie add his tracks to those of deer and javelina as he drank. Glancing at my watch, I was reminded that I was due back at the vehicle an hour ago, yet I was compelled to see what lay around the next corner. As I paused on the steep slope and longingly looked down on the pool and up to the next bend, the alluring canyon knew I must return someday and follow it to its head.

All of us have experienced similar journeys of discovery. They are woven deep into the essence of what it is to love the outdoors. Recently, the Arizona Game and Fish Department invited Arizonans on a journey of discovery with a new format for you to interact with Game and Fish and enter the "world of wildlife." Referred to simply as the Portal, this new website is more than an online brochure: The Portal is your personal wildlife account, providing important news and information on your Game and Fish Department. Pass through the Portal to an experience customized for your particular interests, whether they be watching wildlife, learning how our endangered species are faring, planning your next hunt or finding out where



the crappie are biting. The Portal provides quick access to all your Game and Fish account information, including your history of licenses, permits and bonus points. Best of all, the Portal is mobile-friendly, so you can log in and use it from your cellphone, tablet or computer.

Along with the Portal, you will find the I Support Wildlife™ program, which strives to bridge the widening gap between new threats facing wildlife and a sharp increase in the cost of conservation. A one-year membership gives you an inside track to exploring all Arizona has to offer while doing your part for conservation:

- One-year subscription to our award-winning magazine, Arizona Wildlife Views.
- Mobile-friendly GIS maps of all game management units.
- Active fish-stocking reports that provide the latest information.

Remember, this is only the beginning: More features will be added to the Portal to better serve you and Arizona's wildlife. Take time to do some exploring of your own. View the Portal at www.azgfd.gov.

Yours in conservation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Larry D. Voyles". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "V".

Larry D. Voyles, Director

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Over-the-counter licenses on sale:

July 21, 2015

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August 5, 2015 12:01 a.m. Online

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Important Information for 2015-2016

This list is for informational purposes only and lists the major changes that have occurred since publication of the last regulations booklet. Individuals should thoroughly read and understand the appropriate regulations prior to submitting an application or going afield. If you have questions, please call (602) 942-3000.

Juniors = Youth Throughout the regulations, the term Junior has been replaced with Youth. All Junior-Only (Youth-Only) hunt tables have been moved into the main hunt (Commission Order) section of this book. See pages 40–66 for all hunts, including Youth-Only hunts.

Attention Hunters Game and Fish Commission Rule R12-4-305(I) was amended to include the restriction of importing the nervous tissue of cervids (deer and elk) from legally harvested animals from other states or countries into Arizona. Essentially, only the meat, hides and antlers (free of brain tissue, spinal tissue and nervous tissue) from deer and elk lawfully harvested in other states or countries can be imported into Arizona. This Rule amendment was in response to the prevention of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in deer and elk populations within Arizona. For more information on this rule and CWD, please see page 47.

Archery Deer Hunters There is a new design to the archery deer hunt table on page 42. The new design lists season dates, legal animal, and regulatory notes by individual unit. Please review the notes closely for the unit(s) you choose to hunt as new restrictions apply in several units. Some archery deer units have a ¼ mile closure around an occupied residence or building; refer to the notes for this restriction.

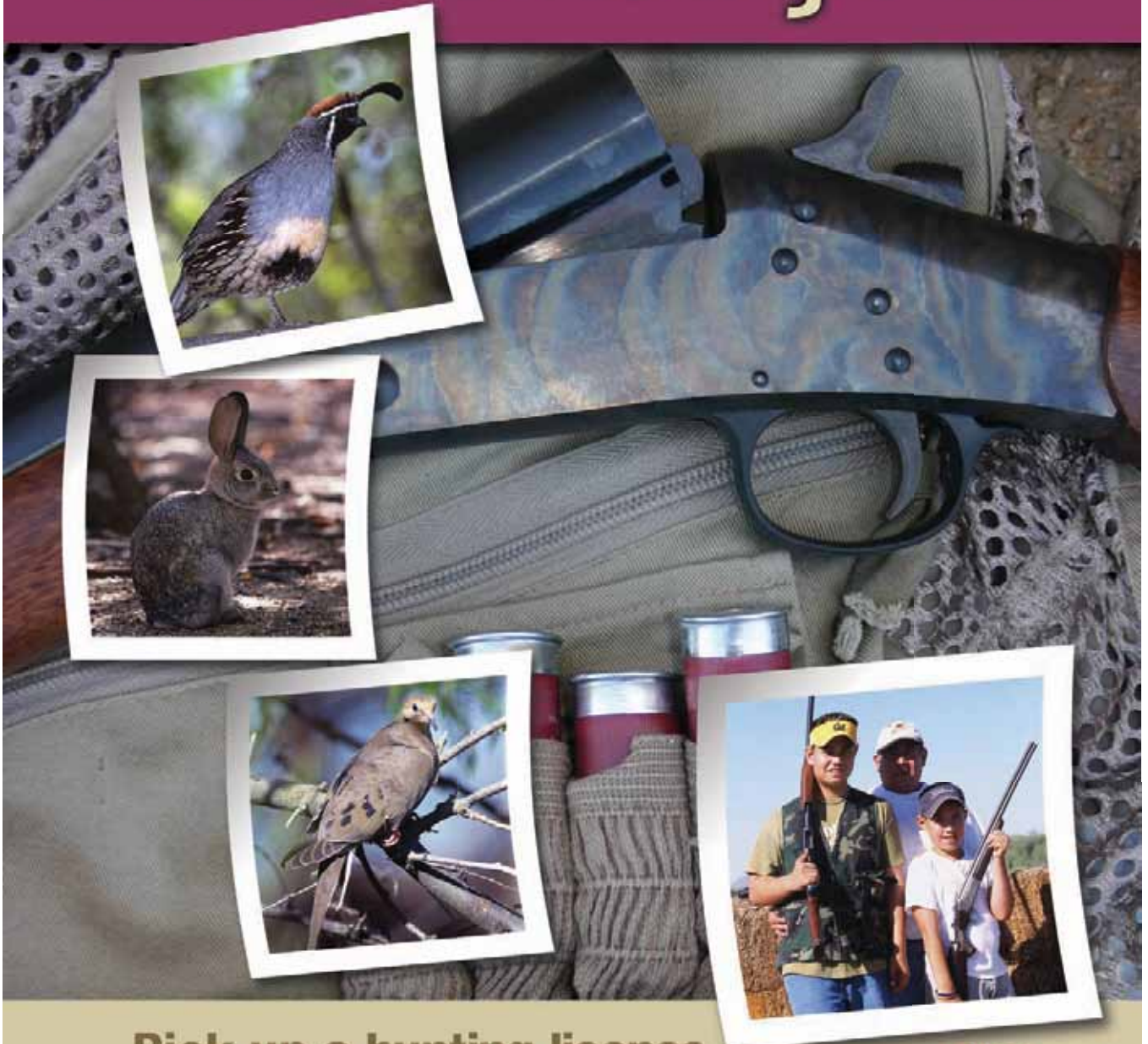
Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch (Unit 10) The Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch in Unit 10 has implemented new Ranch Rules and a mandatory permitting process which includes a recreational impact fee for all hunting activities within the ranch boundaries. The Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch encompasses the entire western half of Unit 10, about 720,000 acres. If planning to hunt the Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch portion of Unit 10, hunters are advised to visit the Ranch's website: www.HuntBigBoRanch.com.

Paper Correction Period Eliminated Due to decreasing participation in the paper application process and the availability of the online application system that virtually prevents applicants from making application errors, the Commission has eliminated the paper correction period. If you use the online system, you are required to pay the application fee as well as any purchased licenses fees at the time of application. Once the draw takes place, and IF you are successfully drawn, the Department will charge the credit or debit card you have on file for the permit fee. If payment fails, the Department will make three attempts within two business days to contact you and notify you that your payment has been declined. You will then be afforded a means of providing alternative payment within a specified timeframe. If the Department has not received a payment at the end of that specified timeframe, applicants will be rejected. No exceptions will be made for individuals who do not respond to the Department's attempts to contact them. Deadline for updating credit or debit card information online is 11:59 p.m. (MST) Thursday, July 9, 2015.

International Border suspicious activity Homeland Security Issues along the International Border may affect the quality of a person's hunt (see page 71). Call 1-800-BE-ALERT to report suspicious activity.

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Getting Started Checklist

Welcome to hunting in Arizona. If you don't know where you want to hunt, what you need, or even what you can hunt in Arizona, this section is for you. It is designed to help NEW hunters get started. Following is some basic information you should consider while planning your hunt. The best way for all hunters to prepare themselves to hunt in Arizona is to take a Department-sponsored hunter education course (see page 32).

❑ Step 1. Where to Start

1. What animal(s) can you hunt?

- Small game: cottontail rabbit, tree squirrel, migratory game birds, and upland game birds like quail.
- Big game: black bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo, deer (mule and white-tailed), elk, javelina, mountain lion, pronghorn antelope, and turkey.
- Predator/fur-bearer: coyotes, skunks, foxes, raccoons, bobcat, ringtail, weasel, and badgers.
- Other birds and mammals.

2. Do you have a hunting license?

To hunt in Arizona, a license is required. Check out page 16 for a list of our hunting permit and license fees. You can purchase hunting licenses online at www.azgfd.gov. You also can purchase licenses, tags, and/or stamps from any of our 340 license dealers (information is online at www.azgfd.gov), or Department offices statewide (see page 5 for office locations).

3. Did you validate your license?

You must first sign your license. For some species you must also purchase a stamp or stamp privilege for the license to be valid. You will need a tag in addition to a valid license to hunt big game, sandhill cranes, and pheasants. You must also sign all tags before going afield for them to be valid.

❑ Step 2. Where/When to Hunt

1. Where do you want to hunt?

Arizona is divided into Game Management Units (GMU or unit) composed of state, federal, military, and private land. Review the GMU maps (pages 70-77), and the "Where you can hunt section" (page 96) for more information.

2. When do you want to hunt?

There are several different seasons in which you can hunt a species. Go to individual species to determine their seasons.

❑ Step 3. "To Apply or not to Apply?"

1. Don't Apply.

For most small game species, and all predator/fur-bearer and other birds and mammals you simply need a license and any required validations (for example: stamps) to hunt.

There are also several big game species that you may pursue simply by purchasing an over-the-counter nonpermit-tag in addition to your license. These hunts include archery turkey, mountain lion, fall bear, some archery deer and elk. Mountain lion, buffalo, bear and bighorn sheep have mandatory reporting requirements, so check the information on the corresponding Commission Order.

2. Apply.

Permits for most big game species, sandhill crane, and pheasant are issued through a hunt drawing. If interested in hunting any of these species, you must apply for a tag in a drawing; refer to page 18 in this booklet or the appropriate supplement for specific information. You can apply online or by paper application. The sample application form on page 21 will help you to apply for both a tag and license. Follow the instructions on the sample form and DON'T forget to include your correct fee(s).

❑ Step 4. Do Your Homework

1. Common violations

Before you go hunting we recommend you read pages 106-107 to be aware of the most common violations. Also, take a look at the Arizona laws and rules beginning on page 110 to learn what you can and can't do in Arizona. If you are witness to a violation please call our Operation Game Thief hotline at 1-800-352-0700 to report the violation. You may be eligible for a cash reward.

2. Care/transport information

Before you go in the field, review our laws and rules to understand requirements to possess and transport wildlife after your hunt. Generally, you need to keep your license on your person and your tag affixed to your carcass at all times during transport. The Department has information available to properly care for your wildlife (see page 5 for regional office locations and phone numbers).

3. You're on your way!

These are just some basic steps to help you start your first hunt. Please read through the rest of the hunting and trapping regulations to better familiarize yourself with hunting in Arizona. If this section fails to answer your questions, contact any Arizona Game and Fish office or visit our website www.azgfd.gov.

Definitions

Big Game: Any of the following species: mule deer, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, turkey, javelina, bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo and mountain lion. All species require a hunt permit-tag, except for archery turkey, youth turkey, fall bear, mountain lion and some archery deer; these species require a nonpermit-tag.

Big Game Drawing: A random computerized lottery drawing to determine issuance of hunt permit-tags. Three separate draws occur each year for various species.

Bonus Point: An accumulated credit that authorizes the Department to issue a Big Game Drawing applicant additional computer-generated random numbers during a draw.

Commission Order: A document adopted by the Commission that does any or all of the following: open, close, or alter seasons and open areas for taking wildlife; specify wildlife that may or may not be taken; set bag or possession limits for wildlife; or set the number of permits available for a hunt.

Daylong: the 24-hour period between midnight and midnight.

Department ID: A number used to identify the hunter by name and address, and to accumulate bonus points. A hunter may designate their Social Security number or a Department issued, computer-generated number. (Federal regulations require all applicants must provide their Social Security number.)

Game Management Unit: An area established by the Commission for management purposes, commonly referred to as GMU or Unit (see maps on pages 70-77, and boundary definitions on page 116).

Genus: A major category in the classification of animals and plants ranking above the Species level and below the Family level.

HAM: Designates weapon type as handgun, archery, or muzzleloader.

Hunt Area: A game management unit (GMU or unit), portion of a unit, group of units, or any portion of Arizona and not included in a GMU that is open to hunting by a particular hunt number.

Hunt Number: The number assigned by Commission Order to a hunt where a limited number of hunt permit-tags is available. The hunt number will specify species, dates, boundaries of the hunt area, weapon type, number of available permits, legal wildlife, and who may hunt. Hunt numbers are assigned for any species where hunt permit-tags are issued through a drawing.

Hunt Permit-tag: A tag for a hunt in which a Commission Order has assigned a hunt number. The number of tags is limited by the Commission Order and may only be obtained through a random drawing. A hunt permit-tag along with a license authorizes an individual to hunt a designated species during the designated hunt.

Hunter Pool: A computerized database comprised of individuals wishing to be considered for a restricted nonpermit-tag when a supplemental hunt is authorized. Entry into the hunter pool consists of completing an application (page 65) and submitting it along with the application fee to the Department.

License Dealer: A business authorized to sell Arizona hunting, fishing, and other licenses and stamps.

Muzzleloading Handgun: A firearm intended to be fired from the hand, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel, loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder, and a single projectile.

Muzzleloading Rifle: A firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder, and a single projectile.

Nonpermit-tag: A tag for a hunt in which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of tags is not limited (over-the-counter tag). A nonpermit-tag along with a license authorizes a hunter to hunt certain game species. A nonpermit-tag may be purchased at Department offices or from licensed dealers.

Resident: "Resident" means a person who is domiciled (claims the state of Arizona as their true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction; or is a member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty and stationed in this state for either permanent or temporary duty; or is a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty stationed in another state or country but who lists this state as their home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag, or stamp.

Arizona Residents may purchase a resident license. All other individuals must purchase a non-resident license.

Restricted Nonpermit-tag: A tag issued for a supplemental hunt.

Season: The legally established time a species can be hunted.

Small Game: Any of the following species: cottontail rabbits, tree squirrels, upland game birds (quail, blue grouse, chukar partridge, and pheasants), and migratory game birds (doves, waterfowl, sandhill crane, coots, gallinules, snipe, and band-tailed pigeons).

Species: A naturally existing population of similar organisms that usually interbreed only among themselves.

Stamp: A form of authorization in addition to a license that allows the license holder to take wildlife specified by the stamp. The form of the stamp may be an actual stamp affixed to the back of the license, a printed privilege on the license itself, or a printed privilege on a separate license form.

Supplemental Hunt: A season established for a particular species by the Commission for the following purposes: take of depredating wildlife, take of wildlife under an Emergency Season, or take of wildlife under a population management hunt. The Commission through Commission Order shall approve a season or seasons and prescribe a maximum number of restricted nonpermit-tags for specific species that the Director may authorize for issuance.

Trapper Registration Number: A trapper's registered number shall be issued by the Department and entered upon the trapping license at the time of purchase. A trapper's registration number is not transferable. All traps shall plainly be identified with the trapper registration number or the trapper's name and address.

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation

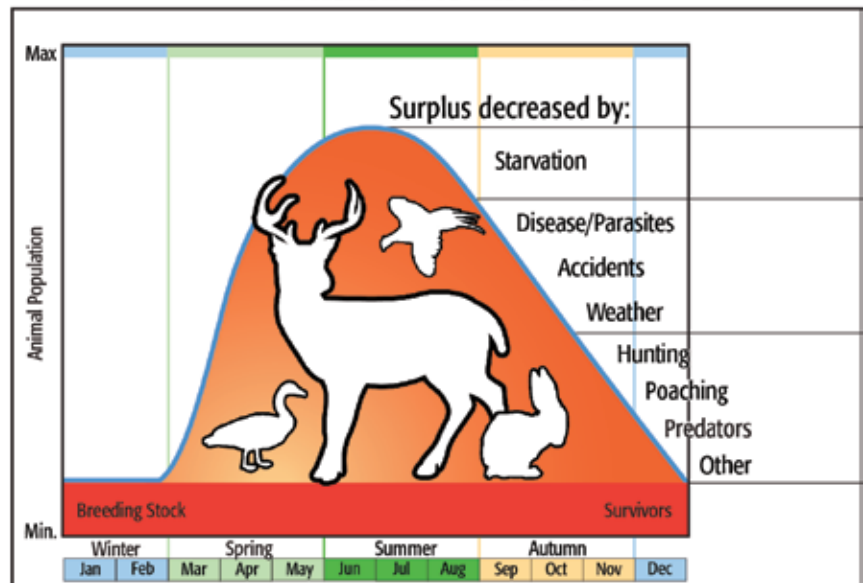
Did You Know?

The Arizona Game and Fish Department is responsible for wildlife management in the state and receives no state tax dollars. Hunters and anglers pay for wildlife conservation through their purchase of licenses, tags and stamps, and excise taxes on hunting and fishing gear. The conservation dollars paid by hunters and anglers benefit both game and nongame species and their habitats.

What Is It?

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is the world's most successful system of conservation. No other continent retains such a complete balance of native wildlife species. While other countries struggle to conserve the little they have left, we enjoy great diversity and abundance of wildlife. This user-pay, public-benefit model relies on sound science, public participation, active habitat management, strict regulation, and active law enforcement to sustain wildlife populations. The end result is a harvestable surplus of game species every year, and an opportunity for all to enjoy it.

A Renewable Resource



Sportsmen's Role in Wildlife Conservation

Whether one chooses to actively participate in hunting or angling, people interested in wildlife and its future should understand the role sportsmen and women play in conservation. Hunters and anglers were the forward-thinking conservationists who developed the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation over a century ago. Hunting, angling and shooting sports continue to be the primary source of funding for conservation efforts in North America. Through a 10 percent to 12 percent excise tax on hunting,

angling and shooting sports equipment, participants in those activities have generated more than \$10 billion toward wildlife conservation since 1937.

Though past conservation efforts have focused on hunted species, non-hunted species reap the rewards as well. Countless numbers of non-hunted species have been saved from peril by protecting wetlands for ducks, forests for deer and grasslands for pronghorn.

If Hunting and Angling Ended

There is no alternative funding system in place to replace the potential lost funds for conservation. If hunting and angling end, funding for wildlife conservation, including enforcement of all wildlife laws, will be jeopardized.

Hunters, anglers and shooters actively support wildlife conservation through tangible actions such as buying licenses and paying excise taxes on hunting, fishing and shooting equipment.

Why are hunters and anglers so willing to support conservation through their pocketbooks? Because people place added value on — and are willing to pay for — what they can use.

Given the rate of population growth, particularly in western states, the percentage of people participating in hunting and fishing is decreasing. Therefore, it is important to engage in traditional outdoor recreational activities and introduce others to these opportunities.



Sandhill cranes

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation

Arizona's Core Concepts

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is the foundation for wildlife conservation in Arizona and throughout the country. Hunters and anglers are its backbone. The Arizona Game and Fish Department's core concepts of the North American Model are:

Wildlife is held in the public trust

The public trust doctrine means that wildlife belongs to everyone. Through shared ownership and responsibility, opportunity is provided to all.

Regulated commerce in wildlife

Early laws banning commercial hunting and the sale of meat and hides ensure sustainability through regulation of harvest and regulating commerce of wildlife parts.

Hunting and angling opportunity for all

Opportunity to participate in hunting, angling and wildlife conservation is guaranteed for all in good standing, not by social status or privilege, financial capacity or land ownership. This concept ensures a broad base of financial support and advocacy for research, monitoring, habitat conservation and law enforcement.

Hunting and angling laws are created through public process

Hunting seasons, harvest limits and penalties imposed for violations are established through laws and regulations. Everyone has the opportunity to shape the laws and regulations applied in wildlife conservation.

Hunters, Anglers, Boaters and Shooters Fund Conservation

Hunting and fishing license sales and excise taxes on hunting, shooting and fishing equipment and motor boat fuels pay for the management of all wildlife, including wildlife species that are not hunted.

Wildlife is an international resource

Proper stewardship of wildlife and habitats is both a source of national pride and an opportunity to cooperate with other nations with whom we share natural resources. Cooperative management of migrating waterfowl is one example of successful international collaboration.

Science is the basis for wildlife policy

The limited use of wildlife as a renewable natural resource is based on sound science. We learn as we go, adapting our management strategies based on monitoring to achieve sustainability.



Scientific information gathered from animals, like this radio-collared elk, contribute to wise wildlife management decisions. Sportsmen's dollars help pay for wildlife research in the user-pay, public-benefit model of conservation.



The reward for this successful model of conservation is the opportunity for all.



Regulations for the taking of wildlife are forged through public input. Enforcement of these laws is critical to wildlife conservation.

Ethical Hunting is Everyone's Business

"Ethics is not only about what you should not do, but what you should do. Offer to lend a hand to another hunter if they are retrieving downed game, share information on hunting conditions and engage in helpful conversation with beginners you happen to meet. Hunting is a heritage we all share, and together, we can continue to share it for generations to come."

– Arizona Game and Fish Department

What are Ethics?

Ethics generally relate to fairness, respect and responsibility. Aldo Leopold once said "ethical behavior is doing the right thing when no one else is watching—even when doing the wrong thing is legal." They are the personal unwritten rules that we value. When we talk about an ethical hunter their behavior is an example of the sportsmanship they demonstrate in the field.

Ethics with Landowners

- Ask permission for access prior to the season before hunting on private property;
- Go out of your way to respect landowners and their property. Be courteous, visit with them, be thankful, offer assistance when necessary, or share your harvest with them;
- Leave the land better than you found it. Return all gates to the way they were. Notify the landowner of any damage or repairs needed to fences that you find and offer your help;
- When "nature calls," walk away from roads and trails. Find a discrete location and bury the waste;
- Drive only on existing roads approved for use;
- Leave livestock and other property undisturbed.

Ethics with Other Hunters

- Follow safe firearms and bow handling practices at all times;
- Abide by game laws and regulations;
- Refrain from interfering with another hunter's hunt or campsite. If you see someone in that area, back out;

- If you meet up with another hunter in the field, be polite engage in conversation and share information.
- A trophy is calculated not by score but by memories. Be respectful and congratulate others for their harvest, regardless of antler size.

Ethics with Waterholes

- Waterholes on public and state lands belong to everyone, and everyone should enjoy free and equal access;
- Responsible hunters should respect other hunters' privileges. They should leave the area if another hunter gets to a waterhole first;
- Ethically responsible hunters will always yield to another hunter who has reached the waterhole first on any given morning or evening during the hunt;
- Simply posting a sign/notice on or near a waterhole does not give anyone the exclusive right to hunt that waterhole; the hunter actually needs to be present;
- Hanging a tree stand or setting a blind near a waterhole does not entitle a person to exclusive hunting rights to that waterhole. Depending on the location it may be unlawful to leave tree stands hanging or blinds set for extended periods of time. They may be considered abandoned property and subject to seizure.
- It is unlawful for a person to camp within one-fourth mile of a natural water hole containing water or a man-made watering facility containing water in such a place that wildlife or domestic stock will be denied access to the only reasonably available water.

Ethics about "First-Come, First-Served"

"First Come – First Serve" is a common courtesy that should be used when more than one person wants to hunt the same area or waterhole, regardless of who has a tree stand or blind in the area. The Arizona Game and Fish Department reminds all hunters that confrontations in hunting situations can involve firearms and hot tempers. Whether you are in the city or next to a waterhole, any threats, intimidation, assault, or disorderly conduct can result in citations, arrests and/or jail time.

Please refrain from confrontational behavior – ethical hunting is everyone's business.

Ethics with the Quarry

- Only take a well-placed shot in a vital area of the game species you are permitted to take;
- Know your limitations. Be mindful of your effective shot range. Avoid extreme distance shots, risky angles and situations where you do not feel confident in your shot. Strive for a quick, clean harvest;
- Select appropriate equipment for your quarry. Be aware of the equipment's limitations as well as your effective range. Take time to practice to ensure an accurate shot;
- Respect your personal capabilities under various conditions that you could potentially encounter during a hunt. Consider your general health, physical condition, weather and elevation in the area you plan to hunt. Be sure to hunt areas that are within your physical limitations.
- Bowhunters should keep in mind shots at greater distances may result in the quarry moving before the arrow reaches it. Kinetic energy is extremely important on larger game animals as energy is lost at longer distances which can result in wounded or lost game;
- Learn about the habits and habitat of the game species you are hunting;
- Make every possible effort to recover game;
- Adhere to the rules of fair chase;
- Follow up every shot at game with a search for sign. You cannot always tell immediately that an animal has been hit.

Ethics with Carcass Disposal

Thanks to recreationists, the Operation Game Thief Program has enjoyed great success with the Department receiving thousands of calls each year many of which lead to the apprehension of wildlife law violators. The Arizona Game and Fish Department also receives calls regarding the dumping of wildlife that have been legally killed because the reporting party is unable to discern that the animal was taken legally. Under these circumstances the Department expects and appreciates notification. In

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most cases the reports are from individuals that find the carcasses in dumpsters, close to urban areas, and in or near a campsites and roads. In an effort to reduce unnecessary reports the Department asks that sportsmen take care to dispose of their lawfully taken carcasses so that they are not discovered by the general public. The Department recommends burying the carcasses or leaving them under a tree away from camping areas and roads. Additionally if utilizing a dumpster use trash bags or wrap the carcass to reduce offensive odors. Remember that sportsmen are obligated to remove game from the field and are prohibited from wasting game meat.

Ethics with Non-hunters

- Show respect for other users of the land and their property. They possess the same rights as you do to use the lands;
- Be courteous to non-hunters when transporting your game from the field. Transport animals discreetly;

- Don't leave remains of field dressing in places where it is easily visible. Respect other people that may be walking by;
- Clean up to the best of your ability before entering into a public place when returning from a hunt if you cannot change clothes. Present a professional image;
- Take tasteful photographs of your hunt;
- Invite someone new to come hunting with you.

Ethics in Reporting Honest Mistakes

The Arizona Game and Fish Department realizes that with the hundreds of thousands of hunters that take to the field each year there are bound to be some unfortunate circumstances that may occur. It might be a case where a hunter mistakes a doe for a buck, shoots a second elk due to a pass-through shot, or accidentally shoots an extra dove over

the limit. While these accidents are infrequent, they do occur to honest hunters every year.

Your decisions in the time immediately after you make a mistake can make a huge difference in the outcome. Mistake or accident, the sportsman is ultimately responsible for their actions. Although self-reporting may not get you out of a citation, it will greatly reduce the likelihood of being cited for a revocable offense. When accidents happen it is critical you notify the Department as soon as possible. If you find yourself in this situation don't compound your mistake by trying to conceal it. Call the Operation Game Thief Hotline (1-800-352-0700) at your first opportunity and follow the instructions provided by the operator. A wildlife manager will be dispatched to the scene to assist you. In almost all cases, the meat from animals involved in a self-reported violation will be donated to a charitable organization.

2014 License Revocations Correction

In the printed version of the Department's 2015-16 Arizona Hunting Regulations, Marlon Holden, Kevin Mangum, Charles Stegenga, Phillip Stricklin and Betsy Lagos are listed as persons convicted of wildlife crimes that led to the Commission revoking their hunting and angling privileges. This statement as to Marlon Holden, Kevin Mangum, Charles Stegenga, Phillip Stricklin and Betsy Lagos is erroneous. Mr. Holden has not been convicted of a wildlife crime in Arizona. His license to hunt and fish was not suspended or revoked due to a wildlife-related conviction. He was civilly assessed damages by the Commission for the loss of a trophy mule deer to the state of Arizona. Mr. Holden has filed an action in the Superior Court for a review of the Commission's action. Kevin Mangum has not been convicted of a wildlife crime in Arizona, and his license to hunt and fish was not suspended or revoked due to a wildlife-related conviction. He was civilly assessed damages by the Com-

mission for the loss of an elk to the state of Arizona. Charles Stegenga has not been convicted of a wildlife crime in Arizona, and his license to hunt and fish was not suspended or revoked due to a wildlife-related conviction. He was civilly assessed damages by the Commission for the loss of an elk to the state of Arizona. Phillip Stricklin has not been convicted of a wildlife crime in Arizona. His license to hunt and fish was not suspended or revoked due to a wildlife-related conviction. He was civilly assessed damages by the Commission for the loss of 230 reptiles and amphibians to the state of Arizona. Betsy Lagos has not been convicted of a wildlife crime in Arizona. Ms. Lagos' Wildlife Holding License was revoked by the Commission for noncompliance with Department wildlife captivity standards.

The Department sincerely regrets these errors.

License Information

Who Can Go?

Everyone needs a license to hunt wildlife in Arizona. You need in your possession a valid hunt or combination hunt and fish license, plus any required hunt permit-tags, nonpermit-tags, or stamps. Neither a Short-term Combination Hunting and Fishing License nor an Apprentice Hunting License is valid for big game.

Youth ages 10–17 must purchase a Youth Combination Hunting and Fishing license. The license fee is \$5.

A person under 10 may hunt wildlife other than big game without a license only when accompanied by a properly licensed person 18 years or older. No more than two unlicensed children may accompany any license holder.

No one under the age of 14 may hunt big game without having completed a Hunter Education Course. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. To hunt big game, anyone 10 to 13 years of age must have in their possession a valid combination hunt and fish license, a valid Hunter Education Course completion card, plus any required permit-tags or nonpermit-tags.

Where to Buy Licenses

Arizona hunting licenses may be purchased online at www.azgfd.gov. If you purchase a license online, **you must print the license from your home printer**. The Arizona Game and Fish Department will not mail your license to you. Licenses also can be obtained from any license dealer or Arizona Game and Fish Department office (see locations on page 5 of this booklet).

If you are applying for a big game permit-tag or bonus points on a paper application, you may purchase your general hunt (available for residents only) or combination hunt and fish license while you are entering your application for the draw. The license will not be issued and mailed until the draw is complete.

Lifetime License Holders

If a lifetime license holder changes residency status from Arizona, the licensee must then purchase non-resident stamps, tags, and permits. A non-resident tag or stamp can accompany your lifetime resident license. If

you are a lifetime license holder who has moved out of state, the 10 percent non-resident cap does not apply to you. The lifetime license will remain legal for the taking of all wildlife as permitted by law. Residency may be re-established after moving back to Arizona and meeting the required time period as defined below.

Residency Requirements

“Resident” means a person who is domiciled (claims the state of Arizona as their true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction; or is a member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty and stationed in this state for either permanent or temporary duty; or is a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty stationed in another state or country but who lists this state as their home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag, or stamp.

Arizona Residents may purchase a resident license. All other individuals must purchase a non-resident license.

Apprentice License

Resident licensed hunters are able to obtain a free Apprentice Hunting License valid for two days for use when mentoring a new hunter. This affords new hunters the opportunity to “try before you buy,” under the supervision of a licensed hunter.

An apprentice hunting license is valid for two consecutive days when the apprentice is accompanied in the field by a mentor. An apprentice hunting license is valid for the taking of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, and upland game birds. Any required stamps must be purchased in addition to obtaining an Apprentice License. An apprentice may be a resident or non-resident and may only be licensed pursuant to this paragraph once per calendar year. A mentor must be a domiciled resident of this state who is at least 18 years of age and must possess an annual hunting or combination license or a complimentary or lifetime license. A mentor may apply for no more than two apprentice

hunting licenses per calendar year. When applying for an apprentice license, the mentor must name the person he or she will be taking afield.

High Achievement Scout License

The High Achievement Scout License license is offered to a resident youth who has attained either the rank of Eagle Scout (Boy Scout) or received a Gold Award (Girl Scout). The fee for the reduced license is \$5. The applicant must present proof of their rank or award by providing their certification letter, wallet card, or award certificate at any Department office, and complete the High Achievement Scout License application (Form 306, available on the Department website or at any Department office). This license is not available through the draw. At the age of 21, an Eagle Scout or Gold Award recipient is no longer eligible for the High Achievement Scout License license, and from that point forward would be required to purchase an adult license.

Lost License or Tag Replacement

Lost licenses, hunt permit-tags, and nonpermit-tags may be replaced for a \$4 fee at any Arizona Game and Fish Department license dealer. Licenses purchased online can be reprinted for free. Duplicate licenses can be purchased online. Consult R12-4-103 (pg 114) Duplicate Tags and Licenses for additional information. Stamps cannot be replaced, they must be repurchased.

Physically Challenged Hunters

Those hunters who are physically challenged may qualify for a Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP). Consult R12-4-217 for information about this permit (page 124 of the 2015-16 Arizona Hunting Regulations). Contact any Arizona Game and Fish Department office for additional information and application.

Non-US Citizens Wanting to Hunt in Arizona

Pursuant to regulations by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), non-immigrant aliens who want to temporarily import firearms and/or ammunition into the United States for the allowable purpose of taking wildlife will need an ATF import permit and valid hunting license in possession

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at the time of entry/import into the United States. For further information or to make application for the import permit, contact ATF's Firearms and Explosives Import Branch at (304) 616-4550, or download an application from the ATF website at www.atf.gov.

Tag Transfers

Should you be unable to use your big game permit, the Department is unable to reimburse you for your fees or reinstate your bonus points. However, under Arizona Revised Statutes and Arizona Game and Fish Commission Rules there are ways people can transfer big game tags. A \$4 transfer fee applies, unless donating to a non-profit organization. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph, including an application process for a qualified organization, to allow a person to transfer the person's big game permit or tag to a qualified organization for use by:

- A minor child who has a life-threatening medical condition or by a minor child who has a permanent physical disability. If a child with a physical disability is under

14 years of age, the child must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.

- A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has a service-connected disability. For the purposes of this paragraph "disability" means a permanent physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities requiring the assistance of another person or a mechanical device for physical mobility. "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life-threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities or to veterans with service-connected disabilities.

A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game pursuant to the following requirements:

- The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the commission.
- The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field or, if a grandparent allows a minor grandchild to use the grandparent's permit or tag, the grandparent, the parent or the child's guardian must accompany the child in the field.
- The child must possess a valid hunting license and, if under fourteen years of age, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
- Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit. Once a tag is transferred at a Department office, the original permittee may no longer use it.

Visit www.azgfd.gov/hunting and scroll to the additional hunting information. There you will find a link titled "Tag Transfer." Organizations you can donate your tag to are listed on the page.

Thank You Hunters and Recreational Shooters

Arizona's rich outdoor heritage is enjoyed by all – thanks to hunters like you, whose purchase of hunting and recreational shooting equipment supports wildlife management and habitat enhancement in the Grand Canyon State. When you purchase a rifle, ammunition, archery equipment, and other sporting gear, you pay a federal excise tax and import duties.

Since 1937, this money has been collected by the federal government and redistributed to the states using a



formula based on hunting license sales and the state's land area. In 2015, that means more than \$19 million for game management in Arizona. This money pays for game surveys, hunter education classes, wildlife water catchment construction, wildlife research and shooting range development and operations, among other projects.

Hunters like you are part of the largest and most successful wildlife conservation programs in the world... thank you.

Hunt Permit-tag and License Fee Information

The fees listed on this page are valid for 2015 hunts. Please refer to Notes below.

LICENSES	PRIVILEGES	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
General Hunting ¹	Allows take of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid tag or stamp is required for the take of big game animals and migratory game birds.	\$37	Not available. See Combination.
Combination Hunt and Fish ^{1,2}	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid tag or stamp is required for the take of big game animals and migratory game birds.	\$57	\$160
Youth Combination Hunt and Fish ^{1,2} (ages 10–17)	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, migratory birds and upland game birds. A valid tag is required for the take of big game animals.	\$5	\$5
Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish ^{2,3}	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid stamp is required for the take of migratory game birds. <i>(Not valid when applying for the draw.)</i>	\$15/day	\$20/day
HUNT PERMIT-TAGS <i>Obtained only through application and drawing procedures, prices shown include a \$13 application fee per applicant for residents and a \$15 application fee per applicant for non-residents.⁴</i>		RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Bonus Point		\$13	\$15
Antelope Hunt Permit-tag		\$103	\$565
Bighorn Sheep Hunt Permit-tag		\$313	\$1,815
Turkey Hunt Permit-tag		\$38	\$105
Bear Hunt Permit-tag		\$38	\$165
Javelina Hunt Permit-tag		\$38	\$115
Elk Hunt Permit-tag		\$148	\$665
Deer Hunt Permit-tag		\$58	\$315
Pheasant Hunt Permit-tag		\$13	\$15
Buffalo – Bull/Any Hunt Permit-tag		\$1,113	\$5,415
Buffalo – Cow/Yearling Hunt Permit-tag		\$663	\$3,265
Buffalo – Yearling only Hunt Permit-tag		\$363	\$1,765
Sandhill Crane Hunt Permit-tag (2 tags)		\$33	\$35
Raptor Hunt Permit-tag		\$13	\$15
NONPERMIT-TAGS <i>These tags may be purchased over-the-counter at Department offices or license dealers.</i>		RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Archery Turkey Nonpermit-tag		\$25	\$90
Youth-Only Turkey Nonpermit-tag			\$10
Bear Nonpermit-tag ⁵		\$25	\$150
Mountain Lion Nonpermit-tag ⁵		\$15	\$75
Javelina Nonpermit-tag		\$25	\$100
Elk Nonpermit-tag		\$135	\$650
Archery Deer Nonpermit-tag		\$45	\$300
Bobcat Seal (for sale or export) ⁶		\$3	\$3
STAMPS		RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Migratory Bird Stamp <i>Allows take of band-tailed pigeons, moorhen, coots, doves, ducks, geese, snipe, and swans (Valid July 1 – June 30)</i>		\$5	\$5
Federal Waterfowl Stamp <i>(valid July 1 – June 30)</i>		\$15	\$15
			YOUTH⁸
			<i>Included with Youth Combination license</i>

Notes:

- Licenses are valid one year from date of purchase.
- All licenses that allow fishing allow for simultaneous fishing with two poles.
- A Short-term Combo license may be purchased for any day. Purchaser selects date(s) of validity at time of purchase. If purchased for multiple days, the days need not be consecutive.
- A portion of the application fees are designated for habitat, access and recruitment/retention.
- Mandatory harvest reporting and physical check-in.
- Not available at license dealers.
- Permit-tag fees are for “Youth-Only” designated hunts. **A youth must pay the higher fee unless applying only for “Youth-Only” hunts.**
- Youth, 16 years of age and older, are required to purchase a federal waterfowl stamp.



Applying for the Draw?

Apply early online and
you could receive a

\$500
GIFT CARD!

If you're hunting for a reason to apply early for this year's Fall Draw, here's a great reason: **You could receive a \$500 Sportsmans Warehouse gift card donated by Wildlife for Tomorrow.** Everyone who is eligible and applies online no later than **June 2, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.** will be automatically entered into the Arizona Game and Fish Department's drawing for a \$500 gift card. **Don't wait 'til the last minute to apply online... do it early!**

Official Rules:

Open to any applicant who is a legal U.S. resident 18 years of age or older who APPLIES ONLINE for the Fall Big Game Draw between opening day of the Draw and no later than **11:59 p.m. on June 2, 2015**. Online applications received after this date and time are not eligible. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE GIFT CARD DRAWING, and entry into the drawing is limited to one per applicant. Applicants who APPLY ONLINE must provide an email address or phone number for notification purposes only. Only one (1) prize will be awarded. The odds of being selected in the random drawing depend on the number of applicants in the Fall Big Game Draw. Employees of the Arizona Game and Fish Department and Wildlife for Tomorrow and their children, parents, and spouses are ineligible. The recipient will be selected in a random drawing from all eligible entries received and will be notified by Friday, June 5, 2015 by email and telephone. The recipient must contact the Department within five (5) days of notification to claim the gift card or be subject to disqualification. The gift card will be delivered by registered mail, or it can be picked up at the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 5000 W. Carefree Hwy., Phoenix, AZ, 85086. Any applicable taxes or fees are the responsibility of the recipient. No substitutions or exchanges are permitted. Every applicant who enters the gift card drawing agrees to release the Arizona Game and Fish Department, the State of Arizona, its boards and commissions, officers, employees agents and volunteers and Wildlife for Tomorrow from all claims, demands and liabilities of every nature, legal or equitable, arising out of or attributable to the operation of the gift card drawing, internet access interference or malfunctions, claims based on publicity, defamation or invasion of privacy or non-receipt of the gift card. The Department reserves the right without prior notice to terminate the gift card drawing for any reason affecting the operation of the drawing. Use of the recipient's name or likeness is subject to the Department's privacy policy, except publication of recipients name will be made if required by law. This promotion is subject to all federal and state laws and regulations and is void where prohibited by applicable law. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED ONLINE NO LATER THAN 11:59 P.M. ON JUNE 2, 2015.

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Draw Information

The Draw

When the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular area must be limited to prevent over-harvest of wildlife, the Commission Order governing seasons for that species assigns a hunt number to a designated area, and a hunt permit-tag is required to take that species in that area. Hunt permit-tags are issued through a computerized random drawing. Big game tags not issued through the drawing process are nonpermit-tags.

Qualifications

Individuals wishing to participate in a drawing or to obtain bonus points must apply online or in writing using the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, and submit the form by the deadline specified in the Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule found in the current year's hunt regulations (page 22).

An applicant must possess a license (including lifetime, pioneer or disabled veteran's) that is valid on the last day of the application deadline for that draw. **Youth applying for big game hunts must be licensed.** If an applicant does not have a license that meets that requirement, he or she must purchase the license at the time of application. An applicant must submit the information and fees required for a license on **each** paper application submitted. Only one license will be issued. License refunds will be made for additional applications. Licenses will not be issued until the draw occurs.

Applying for a Hunt

The online application service will be available early to mid-May please see page 20 or visit azgfd.gov/draw for more information.

Paper applications for hunt permit-tags must be made on Hunt Permit-tag Application Forms available at Department offices, website, and license dealers. Please use the current year's application form, that is WHITE in color. **Do not cut or alter application form.** Applications not prepared in a legible manner may be deemed not valid and shall be rejected as specified in R12-4-104(O). Use standard blue or black ink (no gel ink).

No more than four people may apply on one application in one envelope. All applicants in a group must apply for the same hunt number(s) and in the same order of preference on the same form.

No person, including Youth, may submit more than one valid application per genus of wildlife in any calendar year, except as specified in R12-4-104(L), when genera are drawn in multiple drawings; however the annual bag limit still applies.

Each applicant shall complete only one block per application.

No more than one genus may be included on each Hunt Permit-tag Application Form. **Use a separate form, payment and envelope for each genus of wildlife you wish to hunt. More than one (1) application in an envelope may result in rejection of all applications.** You can list a general hunt as your first choice and another weapon type hunt for the same genus as another choice on the same application—just be sure they are in the same numerical series. Use only one application per genus, even if you are mixing weapon choices.

Hunt Permit, Bonus Points Disclaimer

The issuance of any big game permit has no express or implied guarantee or warranty of hunter success. Any person holding a valid permit assumes the risk that circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from using the permit. In such situations, the Arizona Game and Fish Department disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points or to refund any fees, except under specific circumstances, such as activation of military or emergency personnel, as stated in R12-4-107(L).

Fees

Information about fees associated with the online draw process may be found on page 20.

When submitting paper applications, each applicant shall enclose the following fees:

1. The fee for the appropriate hunt permit-tag, which includes the permit application fee.
2. Fee for a hunting or combination hunt and fish license, if a license is requested. Be sure to enclose license fees on **each** application, if required, for each person who is applying on the application for a license. Only one license will be issued per person.
3. **Discounted hunt permit-tag fees are for "Youth-Only" designated hunts. A youth must pay the higher fee unless applying only for "Youth-Only" hunts.**

Each payment enclosed with a hunt permit-tag application shall be made by certified check, cashier's check, money order, or personal check or draft payable to the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Cash will not be accepted and will result in rejection.

One personal check or money order can cover all fees for each application, or separate checks or money orders may be submitted in one envelope for each individual applicant.

The permit and license fees are specified in the fee schedule on page 16. The hunt permit-tag fees on page 16 include the non-refundable application fee.

Submitting Applications

The online application service will be available in early to mid-May. Please check the Department's website or sign up for free e-newsletters for regular updates. You can register for e-news at www.azgfd.gov/signup.

Attention online applicants: Deadline for updating your credit or debit card information online is 11:59 p.m. (MST) Thursday, July 9, 2015.

Applications (except first-come, sand-hill crane, and raptor applications) may be hand-delivered to Department offices in Phoenix, Mesa, Tucson, Flagstaff, Pinetop, Kingman, or Yuma. Mailed applications must be sent only to the Department's Phoenix Office at P.O. Box 74020, Phoenix, AZ 85087-1052. On deadline days, Department business offices close at 5:00 p.m. (MST), but applications can be delivered to drop boxes until 11:59 p.m. (MST). Drop boxes

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are locked promptly at 11:59 p.m. (MST). All applications must be **received by** the Department before the deadline. Deadlines for submission are specified in the Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule on page 22.

Postmarks don't count.

Applications will be accepted as soon as the applicable year's hunt regulations are available. Please consult the current year's hunt regulations as unit areas and season dates may change each year.

Complete and proper preparation of an application is the sole responsibility of the applicant.

What Happens to My Application?

Any application not properly prepared, submitted with insufficient fees or one that is illegible is not valid and will be rejected.

If any applicant in a group is rejected for any reason, all other applicants in that group will also be rejected and no bonus points will be awarded.

No hunt permit-tag will be issued to anyone in a group if there are not sufficient hunt permit-tags available for all applicants in that group.

Hunt permit-tags will be mailed to each successful applicant.

What if I'm not Drawn?

Please use one of the methods (Internet or telephone) listed on page 7 to access draw results. These methods of access shall serve as the official notification of draw results.

Over-payments and hunt permit-tag fees received with unsuccessful applications will be returned to applicant "A," as shown on

the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form. Application and license fees will not be refunded. You will not be issued more than one license and a refund of any remaining fees will be issued.

If you or a member of your group elected to donate your fees or a portion thereof, the donation will not be refunded.

If an application is rejected and a license has been requested, the license will not be issued. The license fee will be refunded, however, the application fee will not be refunded.

Unsuccessful, valid applications will be awarded bonus points.

Big game hunt permit-tags remaining after the drawing will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule on page 22.

First-come permit-tag results are not posted. If successful, you will receive your tag in the mail within 10-15 business days.

Obtaining a Bonus Point Only

In the event you do not wish to participate in a big game drawing for species offered in this draw, but still wish to accumulate bonus points for these genera, you may "obtain a bonus point."

When completing your application, you must choose the bonus point hunt number established for that genus as your first choice. A bonus point hunt number is established within each applicable Commission Order. If you choose this hunt number, you may not choose any other hunt number on your application. **If the bonus point hunt number is any choice other than the first choice or any other hunt numbers appear**

on the application, your application will be rejected. You may obtain only one bonus point per genus per drawing.

To apply for a bonus point only, the individual must be 10 years old by the deadline date as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule on page 22.

To apply for a bonus point only, you must have previously purchased a hunting license or apply for a hunting license through the draw for the year in which the hunt will take place. You must also include the application fee per applicant. If applying for a bonus point, you will not receive a refund on the license fee or the application fee. Do not include the fee for the hunt permit-tag for the genus in which you are applying for the bonus point. **A bonus point costs you only the license fee (if needed) and the application fee per applicant. See page 16 for license fees.**

If applying for more than one species for bonus points, you must complete a separate application for each species. Only a single application and the correct fees may be included in one envelope.

If you apply for a bonus point only using the established bonus point hunt number, you may **NOT** submit another application for the same genus. To do so will cause both applications to be rejected as duplicate applications.

All applicants in a group must apply for the same established bonus point hunt number. The application will not be included in the random number drawing and the individual(s) on the application will each receive a bonus point for that genus.

The online application will be available early to mid-May.

Why apply online?

There are many advantages to submitting an online application:

- Apply from home or work – no driving, no mailing;
- Easy to meet the deadline – go to www.azgfd.gov and click on Big Game Draw;
- Reduces chances for errors (you must still read your options closely);
- The initial cost to you is only the application fee and license fee (if you don't already have a current license);
- The permit-tag cost will only be charged if you are drawn for that species; and
- Easy to donate to the Big Game Habitat Fund and benefit wildlife populations.

What if I buy a license when I apply for my hunt?

If you purchase a hunting or fishing license online, you must print the license from your home printer. Your license will not be mailed to you.

Are there any additional fees for applying online?

No. The application fee per applicant is the same whether applying online or by paper. The application fee includes a \$13 application fee per applicant for residents and a \$15 application fee per applicant for non-residents.

Can I apply for a bonus point only?

Yes. Select Bonus Point Only when prompted. You must have a current hunting license or purchase one. You will be charged the appropriate application fee (\$13 application fee per applicant for residents and a \$15 application fee per applicant for non-residents).

What are the license requirements?

When applying for a hunt, you must have a license valid through deadline day of that draw. If drawn for a hunt permit-tag, you must also have a valid license at the time of the hunt. These may not be the same license under the new 365 day licenses. Please contact customer service if you have any questions. See page 5 for phone numbers.

How do I pay?

A valid credit or debit card (Visa or MasterCard) must be used when applying online. Your card will be charged once for the application fee and second time if you are successful in drawing a permit-tag. Your hunt application will be rejected if either payment transaction is denied by the credit or debit card institute. If you successfully draw a permit-tag but your card is not approved for payment, the Department will make three attempts within two business days to notify you and offer you the opportunity to provide an alternate payment card within a speci-

fied timeframe. If the Department has not received an alternate payment at the end of that specified timeframe, your application will be rejected. No exceptions will be made for individuals who do not respond to the Department's attempts to contact them. Deadline for updating credit or debit card information online is 11:59 p.m. (MST) Thursday, July 9, 2015.

IMPORTANT: Applicants are encouraged to keep their credit or debit card information up to date, if your card becomes invalid for any reason before the credit card update deadline, update your information online for **each** species you applied for by selecting the "update my payment information" option and providing the required information. The Department is not responsible for any overdraft charge incurred due to insufficient funds.

To apply online, simply log on to the Arizona Game and Fish Department website at www.azgfd.gov, place the cursor on "Apply for a Draw" on the main Web page and follow the step by-step instructions. You will have 45 minutes to complete your online application. We recommend you have your hunter list (including first and last names, dates of birth, Department identification number, and social security number) and hunt choices completed with all the required information for each hunter prior to logging on to apply. This will make for a quicker application process.

How to Apply for the Draw: Paper

If you choose not to participate in the online application, you must correctly fill out and sign a paper hunt permit-tag application form and submit it by mail or drop it off to any of the seven Arizona Game and Fish Department offices along with a check or money order for the correct amount. Paper application forms are available at all Department offices, more than 300 license dealers statewide, and as a downloadable PDF electronic document from the Department's website at www.azgfd.gov/draw. A list of dealers can be found on the Department's website.

R12-4-104 and R12-4-114 explain application and drawing procedures in detail. Complete and proper preparation of an application is the sole responsibility of the applicant. If any applicant in the group fails to complete any required portion of the application, all applicants in the group will be rejected.

1. You must use a separate application, a separate payment AND a separate envelope for each genus (deer, elk, etc.) for which you apply. No more than one (1) application (up to 4 applicants) may be included in the same envelope. NOTE: All hunt choices for each genus, regardless of weapon type, must be requested on the same application.
2. You must use valid Hunt Numbers; make sure you refer to appropriate Hunting Regulations. Do not use game management unit numbers.
3. In accordance with federal requirement, 42 U.S.C. Section 666 A13 and state requirement, A.R.S. 25-320 (P) and 25-502 (K), you must provide your Social Security Number in the space provided. This is kept on file with the Department of Economic Security for use in identifying and tracking child support offenders. If you are not a U.S. Citizen you must write "Not US Citiz" in the Social Security field. Applicants declaring "Not US Citiz" must provide a Department I.D. Number (refer to item #7).
4. You must fill in your name, home mailing address, city, state, and zip code. You must include your date of birth. You must specify your date of birth with a two-digit month, a two-digit day, and a four-digit year. (For example: if you were born on Jan. 5, 1950, you would write: 01-05-1950 in the Date of Birth field.)
5. You must check either the resident or non-resident box for each applicant.

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6. You must either enter your Arizona Hunting License Number (including the two-character prefix) OR you must fill out the LICENSE FORM section (bottom portion for each applicant) and specify the class of license you wish to purchase by checking the appropriate box and include payment for that license with each application. An applicant must possess a license that is valid on the last day of the application deadline for that draw. If an applicant does not have a license that meets that requirement, they must purchase the license at the time of application. No license refund will be issued if you are not drawn. Only one license will be issued to you. License refunds will be made for additional applications. Licenses will not be issued until the draw occurs.
7. You must enter your Department I.D. Number (previously called Sportsman I.D.) if different from your Social Security Number. This number is only for those individuals who use a Department issued I.D. Number instead of a Social Security Number to track bonus points or for non-U.S. citizens. You must still provide a valid Social Security Number or "Not US Citiz." NOTE: A Department I.D. Number must be obtained from AZGFD prior to application.
8. The applicant or an appointed individual must sign each completed applicant block.
9. Each applicant shall complete only one block per application (for example: Applicant A, Applicant B, etc.)
10. You must include all information per applicant in one block only. You may not use multiple applicant blocks to provide information for one applicant.
11. You must include ALL the appropriate license, permit, and application fees in each envelope. No cash will be accepted. Any check returned to the Department for non-payment will result in rejection of your application.
12. You must refer to the appropriate Hunting Regulations to obtain the current fees for licenses and/or hunt permit-tags or you may call the Department at (602) 942-3000 for that information.
13. Only Hunting; Hunting and Fishing Combo; and Youth Combo licenses are available for residents through the draw. Only Hunting and Fishing Combo and Youth Combo licenses are available for nonresidents through the draw.
14. Enclose check, cashier's check, or money order payable to the Arizona Game and Fish Department for the total amount due, along with your application and mail to: Arizona Game and Fish Department P.O. Box 74020 Phoenix, AZ 85087-1052; or drop it off at any Department office.

Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule – Fall 2015

Hunt permit-tag applications will be accepted and processed in accordance with R12-4-104 and R12-4-114 and this schedule.

Drawing

	ACCEPTANCE DATES ¹	DEADLINE DATES ²		
HUNT	Applications accepted on or after:	Deadline 11:59 p.m. (MST) in Department offices on:	Hunt permit-tags mailed out by	Refund warrants mailed out by:
Deer	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Turkey	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Javelina	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Bighorn Sheep	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Buffalo	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Pheasant	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 9, 2015	Aug. 7, 2015	Aug. 17, 2015
Sandhill Crane	Aug. 3, 2015 ³	Aug. 28, 2015 ³	Sept. 25, 2015	N/A
Raptor	Feb. 16, 2016 ³	March 8, 2016 ³	March 25, 2016	N/A

First Come⁴

	Applications accepted by mail on or after 8:00 a.m. (MST):	Permits available for purchase with a completed application at all Department offices after 8:00 a.m. (MST):
HUNT	ACCEPTANCE DATES	ACCEPTANCE DATES
Deer	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Turkey	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Javelina	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Bighorn Sheep	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Buffalo	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Pheasant	August 3, 2015	Aug. 10, 2015
Sandhill Crane	Sept. 14, 2015	N/A
Raptor	March 21, 2016	N/A

Online Applicants⁵

Deadline for updating your credit or debit card information online by 11:59 p.m. (MST)

Thursday July 9, 2015

Notes:

- The Department will accept Hunt Permit-tag Applications for big game and Pheasant listed above as soon as the applicable year's hunt information is available on the Department's website (www.azgfd.gov), or from any Game and Fish Department office or license dealer, unless otherwise noted in the Hunt Permit-tag Application schedule.
- Department offices at Flagstaff, Kingman, Mesa, Phoenix, Pinetop, Tucson and Yuma will close for business at 5 p.m. (MST); completed applications will be accepted at these locations until 11:59 p.m. (MST) on deadline days. No applications will be accepted after this time regardless of the postmark. Deadline dates and times will apply to online as well as paper applications. Deadline dates may be extended in the event of a Department-related system failure that prevents the public from submitting an application within the deadlines listed above. The online system slow down due to heavy traffic is not considered a Department-related system failure and may not result in a deadline extension. Applicants are encouraged to apply early to avoid the last minute rush. Application assistance can be obtained Monday through Friday (8 a.m.–5 p.m. MST) by contacting the Department. Only on deadline day, from 5 p.m. to 11:59 p.m., after the close of normal business, the Department can be reached at 623-236-7424 for online application assistance.
- Sandhill Crane and Raptor applications are accepted by mail only at the following addresses: P.O. Box 74020, Phoenix, AZ 85087-1052; or at 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000. These applications may not be hand delivered to any Department office.
- First come permits are issued if available and will sell very quickly. Applicants are advised to check with the Department before submitting an application for leftover permits. No person, including Youth, may submit more than one valid application per genus for the First Come process, with the exception of javelina (see the javelina bag limit description). A listing of leftover permits is available online at www.azgfd.gov under "Big Game Draw" or at any Department office. To submit first come applications by U.S. mail only, please send to: 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086, ATTN: DRAW/FIRST COME.
- Online applicants are encouraged to keep their payment information current. If your payment is rejected at the time of the draw, your application may be rejected. The Department will attempt to contact the payee and/or applicant A three times within two business days to accept an alternate payment method if a phone number and/or email is provided.

Hunting Information

Download packets to your computer!

Hunt Units.com

- ✦ Game Unit Information
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Special Youth Opportunities

Robbins Butte Youth-Only Dove Hunt

Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (RBWA) is about seven miles southwest of Buckeye and comprises more than 1,600 acres. RBWA was purchased for its potential as waterfowl habitat. Three ponds were built in 1952 and by 1957 an estimated 30,000 ducks used these ponds. However, increased demand for agricultural water coupled with invasion of salt cedar trees led to dramatic waterfowl declines by 1960.

In response, the Department purchased the adjacent Black Butte Farm to expand RBWA. This land contained some of the last pristine honey mesquite bosque remaining along the lower Gila River. This acquisition protected the bosque, and provided cultivated grain crops for small game. The combination of wildlife food crops, natural foods and nesting habitat now attracts a combined average of 5,000 breeding white-winged and mourning doves each year.

A portion of RBWA is managed strictly for youth hunters. The special hunt is open to youth up to their 18th birthday, those 10 years and older need a valid hunting license and migratory bird stamp (included in youth license). Shooting locations are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants must check in prior to hunting and check out when finished. On Saturday, plan to arrive by 4:30 a.m. for a safety briefing and location assignments. Afterward, visit the check-in tables and enjoy a free breakfast provided by the Youth Outdoors



A dove hunt at Robbins Butte is one opportunity available to youth.

Unlimited. Oh, and don't forget to bring plenty of shells. This area can produce lots of chances to fill your bag. Please refer to the current Dove and Band-tailed Pigeon Regulations for specific season dates at www.azgfd.gov/dove.

Pheasant Hunt

Arizona's top hunter education graduates are randomly drawn each year for the department's Youth Pheasant Hunt. While taking a hunter education class instructors identify their top students and submit them for this unique opportunity. About 500 kids are nominated each year and 80 lucky hunters are drawn in December and invited to participate in a youth pheasant hunt in Prescott Valley. The event has been sponsored in the past by the Arizona State Chapter of Safari Club International, the National Wild Turkey Federation and the Arizona Wildlife Conservation Council.

Young hunters shoot sporting clays, learn about preparing pheasant for the home table, and hunt behind top quality pointing dogs while being mentored by an experienced Hunter Education volunteer instructor.

A scrumptious lunch is provided for everyone attending. This event is a very positive experience for both parents and young hunters. By attending an Arizona hunter education class and demonstrating exemplary behavior or performance, youth under the age of 18 could be lucky invitees to the 2015 Youth Pheasant Hunt.



Shooting Ranges are Great for Practice

Shooting facilities provide a safe environment to practice for upcoming hunting seasons. Shooting ranges provide shooters with many benefits, including controlled settings, training and education. At a range, shooters at any skill level can practice, sight-in firearms, receive instruction and discover communities of like-minded enthusiasts.

The Where to Shoot website (www.wheretoshoot.org) provides easy access to target shooting and hunting facilities. Simply specify a state to view all ranges within that state, or narrow the search by area code or zip code.

Name	Address and Phone	Facilities Include	Website
Ben Avery Shooting Facility	4044 W. Black Canyon Blvd., Phoenix AZ, 85086 (623) 582-8313	Outdoor Pistol (100 yds), Outdoor Rifle (1000 yds), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays, Archery, Airgun	www.azgfd.gov/basf
Northern Arizona Shooting Range	I-40 East to Winnona Exit, go south to Forest Service Road 128/128A for 7.3 miles Contact: nasrange2013-info@yahoo.com	Outdoor Pistol (50 yds), Outdoor Rifle (100 yds), Shotgun, Trap, Skeet	www.northernarizonashootingrange.org
Rio Salado Sportsman's Club/ Utery Mountain Shooting Range	3960 N. Utery Pass Mesa AZ, 85207 (480) 984-9610	Outdoor Pistol (7 to 300 yds), Outdoor Rifle (7 to 300 yds), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading, Airgun, Sporting Clays, Trap	www.riosaladosportsmans.com
Seven Mile Hill Shooting Range	3155 Oatman Road Kingman AZ, 86413 (928) 753-8038	Outdoor Pistol (200 yds), Outdoor Rifle (200/1000 yds), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading, Trap, Archery, Skeet	www.mohavesportsmanclub.com
Sierra Vista Shooting Range	3300 Highway 90 Sierra Vista AZ, 85650 (520) 508-9846	Outdoor Pistol (to 200 yd/mtr), Outdoor Rifle (to 500 yd/mtr), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading	www.sierravistarange.org
Three Points Public Shooting Range	18300 W. Ajo Highway Tucson AZ, 85735 (520) 822-5189	Outdoor Pistol (25-200 yds), Outdoor Rifle (100-1000 yds), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading	www.tucsonrifclub.org
Tri-State Shooting Park	Boundary Cone Road at mile marker 7 (closest town is Bullhead City) (702) 371-1532	Outdoor Rifle and Pistol (200 yds), Outdoor Pistol (50 yds), Shotgun, Trap, Skeet	www.tsp-range.org

Game Camps, Scholastic Clays and Archery

Learn to Hunt Events

The Arizona Game and Fish Department offers camps on hunting basics to individuals who are interested in hunting but may not know where to start. These hands-on workshops teach the skills necessary to successfully pursue the variety of game animals found in Arizona. Both adults and youth are invited to participate. The camps include instruction and the opportunity to interact with experienced mentors and other camp participants. Attendees will learn information on firearm safety, hunting opportunities, game care, archery instruction and more. There will also be hands-on hunting opportunities. A schedule of upcoming camps is listed on pages 26–30 and also at www.azgfd.gov/outdoorskills.

Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP)

The Arizona Game and Fish Department Scholastic Clay Target Program is a team-based youth development program that uses the shotgun sports to instill discipline, safety, teamwork, ethics, self-confidence and

other life values. Team members can participate in any or all three clay target disciplines: trap, skeet and sporting clays. For more information, contact the Shooting Sports coordinator at (623) 236-7305 or visit www.azgfd.gov/sctp.

National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)

The Arizona Game and Fish Department offers the national Archery in the Schools Program based on a national physical education curriculum introduced in 2003. The core content covers archery, history, safety, techniques, equipment, mental concentration and self-improvement. In addition, the curriculum provides interesting and creative possibilities for integration with core content in social studies, mathematics, visual arts, history and English/language arts. The program provides school PE programs with training, equipment and curriculum to introduce youth to archery. For more information, contact the Archery coordinator at (623) 236-7233 or visit www.azgfd.gov/archery.

New to Hunting?

The Arizona Game and Fish Department is dedicated to introducing people to the American tradition of hunting by offering a wide variety of hunting and shooting programs. These programs are designed to get you in the field with a parent, guardian, or mentor who can focus and provide guidance needed to teach the next generation of hunters how to be safe, responsible stewards and ethical conservationists.

To provide plenty of opportunities, Game and Fish is partnering with sportsmen's groups, gun clubs, and conservation organizations to host mentored events and camps for beginners to assure a positive experience hunting in the great outdoors. Below is a listing of some of the upcoming events.

Visit www.azgfd.gov/outdoorskills for more information.



MAY – SEPTEMBER

Family Camping at Camp Colley

Family camping themed weekend adventures that include hiking, mountain biking, archery, air rifle, canoeing, crayfishing, horseback riding, and projects all to connect you with nature. Camping equipment and meals are provided. Fee required.

- Dates: Weekends throughout the summer
- Location: 50 miles north of Payson off SR87
- Hosted by: Arizona Parks and Recreation Fellowship
- Register & info: Jeff Spellman, campcolley@gmail.com, <http://apr.org/campcolley>

May 30: Stan Greer Memorial Shoot 'N' Shindig

Family event for youth to compete in silhouette target shooting with a scoped .22 rifle. Equipment provided: .22 rifles, ammunition, safety glasses, hearing protection, and a pot luck lunch, raffles and prizes. Free, starts at 9 am.

- Location: Sierra Vista, Sierra Vista Shooting Range
- Hosted by: Huachuca White-Tail Club
- Register by May 21: Tom Green, (520) 255-1652, tmgreen_1@hotmail.com

JUNE – JULY

AOE Outdoor Skills Summer Adventure Camps

Multiple events, daily and overnight camps for kids ages 10-16 for beginners, intermediate and advanced (ages vary) to learn outdoor skills and activities including archery, air gun, shotgun, kayaking, fishing, hiking, camping, survival skills, outdoor games, Flagstaff Extreme Ropes, mountain biking (skills vary by level), Fee required

- Dates: June 8-12, 15-19, and 22-26; July 6-10, and 13-17
- Locations: Ben Avery and Christopher Creek, Camp Colley
- Hosted by: Arizona Outdoor Experience
- Contact: Kent Younger (623) 810-4633 6-9pm or younger@azoutdoorexperience.com
- Register: www.azoutdoorexperience.com

June 6: Fishing For Smiles

A free fishing event from 7-11 a.m. for all kids ages 5-15. Equipment and bait furnished. Pond is stocked with channel catfish and each angler allowed to catch and keep three. Lunch also furnished!

- Location: Dunton Pond, Kingman
- Hosted by: Mohave Sportsman Club, Kingman Elk's Lodge #468, Arizona Sportsmen For Wildlife
- Register: Don Martin, (928) 303-9481, info@arizonawildlifeoutfitters.com

June 20: NWTF JAKES Parker Canyon Lake Event

Outdoor skills training for youth ages 10-17 at Parker Canyon Lake including kayaking, cat fishing, fly fishing, bass fishing and first aid training from 8 am - 3 pm. Free, lunch provided.

- Location: Parker Canyon Lake, southern AZ
- Hosted by: Huachuca Gould's Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation
- Registration required: Wayne Kaiser, (520) 678-9827, lmkwak@cox.net

July 17-19: ABA Bowhunter Happening at Mormon Lake

Family friendly non-competitive archery shoot. Kid's course is free to kids 8 and under, no equipment or experience needed. Kids 12 and under shoot free. Great area for camping and outdoors.

- Location: Mormon Lake Lodge, Details at www.arizonabowhunters.org
- Hosted by: Arizona Bowhunters Association
- Information: www.arizonabowhunters.org, Darr Colburn (602) 284-1722, darrcolburn@aol.com

Learn Outdoor Skills: Hunt, Trap, Fish, Shoot, Wildlife Recreation



July 21: Elk Hunting Seminar

Free seminar with PSE Pro staff / guide Corky Richardson teaches tactics, tips and techniques for elk, no matter what your weapon type. The largest elk event in the state of Arizona! Raffles (Big 10 & Little 5 for kids), door prizes, many vendors.

- Location: Calvary Community Church, 12612 N. 33rd Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85029
- Hosted by: Desert Christian Archers, Precision Shooting Equipment
- Information: AJ Murosky at info@desert-christianarchers.org

Interested, but not ready to go hunting yet?

Don't worry, we still want you to come on out and see what the outdoor experience is all about. Hunting is just one portion of these events. Many of these camps are also open to people wishing to learn more about wildlife biology, ecology and its habits; target shooting; archery; wildlife viewing; camping; camaraderie and more. If you are interested, just contact the camp host and let them know. **Attending the annual Outdoor Expo** is another great opportunity to learn more about outdoor recreation activities. Visit www.azgfd.gov/expo for information about this annual event.

AUGUST

Aug. 7-9: Predator Hunting Boot Camp, youth, adults and families – PVCJ George Knox Memorial

Beginners can learn about predator calling, hunting, and the life history of predators and fur-bearers, other outdoor skill activities, food provided and camping.

- Location: Woods Canyon Lake area, Vincent Ranch, Unit 4A
- Hosted by: Phoenix Varmint Callers, Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Arizona Game and Fish, RMEF, AES, NWTf
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 4 & 5: Safford Youth Dove Hunting Clinic and Hunt

Experts teach youth new to hunting about firearm safety, dove science, identification, locating, hunting and cleaning and cooking dove. Evening clinic, followed by live hunt next day.

- Location: Dry Lake Park, Safford area
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish, South Eastern Arizona Sportsmen Club
- Registration by August 30: Devin Skinner, (520) 591-7880, ds Skinner@azgfd.gov

Sept. 5: Robbins Butte Mentored Youth Dove Hunt

Learn how to dove hunt from experienced hunters including, identification, hunting tips, gun safety, mentoring and food provided just for kids at a Game and Fish wildlife area managed for migratory birds.

- Location: Buckeye, Robbins Butte Wildlife Area
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish, Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Arizona Outdoor Sports, National Wild Turkey Federation
- Registration required: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Sept. 5-6: Dove Hunting Area Youth-only Robbins Butte

Designated area just for youth dove hunters at a Game and Fish wildlife area managed for migratory birds, self-serve, walk-in, some information.

- Location: Buckeye, Robbins Butte Wildlife Area
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish
- Information: www.azgfd.gov/dove

Sept. 9 & 12: Youth/Family Dove Hunt CJ Biller Memorial

Kids and their families can learn to hunt doves starting with classroom training (9/9) on hunting doves, shotguns, safety and clay target shooting, followed by live dove hunt (9/12). Space is limited.

- Location: Mesa, Utery Mountain Shooting Range, Arizona Game and Fish Mesa office
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Arizona Outdoor Sports, Arizona Game and Fish, CJ Biller Family
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com



Sept. 11-13: Becoming an Outdoors Woman

The workshop introduces women (18 and up) to outdoor skills (fishing, archery, Dutch-oven cooking, kayaking, hunting and more) in an enjoyable non-threatening environment with expert instructors. Classes are held during the day and evenings are filled with fun and entertainment. Fee required

- Location: Friendly Pines Camp, Prescott
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org, questions awf@azwildlife.org or (480) 644-0077

Learn Outdoor Skills: Hunt, Trap, Fish, Shoot, Wildlife Recreation

Sept 19-20: Trapper's Fall Rendezvous in the Pines

See how trappers lived in 1850, trapping demonstrations and instruction, predator calling, trappers course, fur sale preparation, trapping supplies for sale, food, lots of camping space for a family friendly event.

- Location: Payson area
- Hosted by: Southwest Fur Harvesters
- Information: www.southwestfurharvesters.com

OCTOBER

Oct. 2-4: Unit 1 Squirrel Camp

Learn about hunting squirrels for beginners, other outdoor skills activities, food provided.

Location: Pinetop / Lakeside, Los Burros Campground, Unit 1

- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish, Youth Outdoors Unlimited, RMEF, AES
- Information: Arizona Game and Fish Pinetop, (928) 367-4281
- Registration: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Oct. 2-4: Outdoors Skill Camp

Learn how to camp, discover nature and wildlife, fish and hunt, and more.

- Location: Payson area, Sharp Creek Campground
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish, Red Bear Outfitters, SCI – Phoenix Chapter, Mogollon Sportsmen Association
- Register: Henry Apfel, (480) 639-9994, hapfel@azgfd.gov



Oct. 2-4: Prescott Youth Deer Hunting Camp - MDF

Deer hunting information & mentored assistance biology, habitat, glassing, stalking techniques and game care tips will be covered. Coffee, hot coco, morning snacks, lunch and dinner will be provided. Campfire, games and raffles for the kids. Bring the family.

- Location: Prescott Area, Units 17B, 19A, 19B, 20A
- Hosted by: Prescott Chapter Mule Deer Foundation
- Information: Kevin Hall (928) 713-6877, or kevin@prescottchaptermdf.org

Oct. 8-11: Unit 6A Youth Elk Hunter's Camp - AES

Thursday pre-hunt activities include free dinner, tips on finding elk, meat care, safety, prizes and more. Support for game locating, retrieval, some mentoring, hot drinks, food and more offered throughout the weekend.

- Location: Happy Jack Lodge, Unit 6A
- Hosted by: Arizona Elk Society
- Information: www.arizonaelksociety.org, (602) 492-5319

Oct. 8-11: Unit 1/2C Youth Elk & Squirrel Hunt Camp - YOU

Guidance on hunting elk, squirrel hunting, camping, other outdoor activities, elk retrieval, field dressing assistance, and food provided.

Location: White Mountains, Sheep Corral in the Greens Peak area, Units 1 & 2C

- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Arizona Game and Fish, RMEF, AES
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Oct. 8-11: Unit 21 Bloody Basin Youth Deer Hunt Camp - MDF

Deer hunting tips / assistance, biology and habits, food, hospitality, drawings, gifts, family welcome.

- Location: Bloody Basin Road, Unit 21/20B
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation
- Information: Terry Herndon, therndon@muledeer.org, (623) 696-5579

Oct. 8-11: Unit 22/23 Punkin Center Youth Deer Hunt Camp - MDF

Deer hunting tips / assistance, biology and habits, food, hospitality, drawings, gifts, family welcome.

- Location: Roosevelt Lake area, Unit 22, 23
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation
- Information: Terry Herndon, therndon@muledeer.org, (623) 696-5579

Oct. 9-11: Unit 23 Youth Deer and Elk Hunters Camp - Arizona Deer Association

Support camp for youth deer and elk hunters, seminars, hunter safety, some mentors available, how to hunt tips, game care, prizes, raffles, and food.

- Location: Colcord Ridge Campground, Unit 23
- Hosted by: Arizona Deer Association
- Information: www.azdeer.org
- Register: Dave at azdeer1@cox.net

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Oct. 9-11: Kaibab Deer Youth Base Camp

Kaibab deer hunting information and assistance, biology and habits, activities, some food, and campfire.

- Location: North Rim Grand Canyon, Unit 12A, SR22 & FR429
- Hosted by: Buckskin Chapter Arizona Deer Association
- Information: Rich Leightner, releightner@thebigpond.com, (928) 645-9669

Oct. 16-18: Yuma Youth Small Game Hunting Camp – YVRG

Learn to hunt small game (quail, rabbits) from experienced hunters, mentoring, shooting instruction, seminars, raffles, camping, and food.

- Location: Yuma area
- Hosted by: Yuma Valley Rod and Gun Club, Southwest Arizona HPC, Arizona Game and Fish
- Information: Kelly Young, (928) 341-4063, Kyoung@azgfd.gov

NOVEMBER

Nov. 5-8: Ms. Adventurez Deer Camp - Team Young Gunz

Ladies, come learn how to hunt Coues white-tailed deer in southern Arizona from experienced hunters, firearm safety, centralized group camping area and some food provided. Space is limited.

- Location: East of Tucson, Unit 33
- Hosted by: Team Young Gunz, Coueswhitetail.com
- Register: www.TeamYoungGunz.org

Nov. 20-22: Unit 36A/B Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AZSCI

Description: Deer hunting tips and tactics for the area from experienced hunters, a safe centralized group camping area, and some food provided.

- Location: SW of Tucson, Units 36A and 36B
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish and Arizona Chapter of Safari Club International
- Register: Bobby Boido, azsci@yahoo.com, (520) 490-8367

Nov 20-22: Unit 42 Youth Deer Hunt Camp - MDF

Base camp to assist Youth deer hunters with general deer hunting information, tactics and tips from experienced hunters, other outdoor skills and activities, some food provided.

- Location: Wickenburg, AZ.
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation, Arizona Game and Fish
- Information: W.M. Craig Heath (928) 856-0764 or cheath@azgfd.gov

Nov. 20-23: Unit 18B/20C Youth Deer / Javelina / Small Game Hunter's Camp – MDF / YOU

Free camp to assist with basics of deer hunting in the area, other outdoor activities, food, campfire and more.

- Location: Bagdad area, HWY 96 & Santa Maria River, Unit 18B/20C
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation - Kingman Chapter, Youth Outdoors Unlimited, RMEF, AES, NWTF
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

DECEMBER

Dec. 5- 6: Picketpost Small Game Hunting Camp

Geared toward new and novice hunters of all ages, Includes instruction and mentoring on small game hunting (dove, quail, rabbits, coyotes) and shooting techniques. Food and firearms are provided.

- Location: Superior, Picketpost Mountain, Unit 37B
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Red Bear Outfitters, Arizona Outdoor Sports, SCI - Phoenix Chapter, C.O.U.E.S. Guide Service, Arizona Game and Fish
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Dec: 11-13: Cibola Youth Waterfowl Camp

Learn duck hunting, calling, and setting decoys from experts, many other shooting and outdoor activities for the whole family. Food provided.

- Location: Cibola National Wildlife Refuge
- Hosted by: Arizona Outdoor Sports, Yuma Valley Rod & Gun, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Game and Fish
- Register: Courtney at getoutsideaz@gmail.com or (928) 342-0091

2016 JANUARY

Jan. 15-17, 2016: Archery Javelina, Deer, Small Game Hunt Camp

Young archers and their parents will be mentored on bowhunting for javelina, and / or deer, also opportunities for hunting quail, rabbits, and fishing, group campsite, and more.

- Location: Lake Pleasant Regional Park, Unit 20B / 26M
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation, Shoot for Life Archery Club
- Register: Josiah, josiah@rossoutdoors.com or Terry, therndon@muledeer.org



Jan. 16, 2016: Wickenburg Youth Target Shooting Event

Free introduction to the shooting sports (archery, air rifle, .22 rifle, shotgun) for kids (8 to 18), in a safe environment with 1-on-1 experienced instruction. Parent or guardian must be present.

- Location: Wickenburg Sportsman's Club, 1385 Constellation Road, Wickenburg AZ
- Hosted by: Game and Fish, Wickenburg Sportsman's Club
- Register: Information: Craig Heath at (928) 856-0764 or cheath@azgfd.gov

Learn Outdoor Skills: Hunt, Trap, Fish, Shoot, Wildlife Recreation

Jan. 21-24, 2016: Beginners Small Game & Youth Javelina Camp

Learn from experienced hunters and Wildlife Managers on where and how to hunt quail, jackrabbits and predators (all aged hunters), as well as javelina for youth with 37B tags, meals provided.

- Location: Florence area, Unit 37B
- Hosted by: Arizona Game and Fish, Red Bear Outfitters, Arizona Elk Society
- Register: John McGehee, JMcgehee@azgfd.gov, (520) 628-5376

Jan. 21-24, 2016: 20C/18B/16A Youth Javelina / Small Game / Predator hunting Camp - YOU

Free camp to assist with basics of locating and hunting javelina a network of units, other outdoor activities, campout, and food provided.

- Location: Bagdad area, HWY 96 & Santa Maria River, serving Units 20C/18B/16A
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Jan. 22-24, 2016: Becoming an Outdoors Woman

The workshop introduces women (18 and up) to outdoor skills (fishing, archery, Dutch-oven cooking, kayaking, hunting and more) in an enjoyable non-threatening environment with expert instructors. Classes are held during the day and evenings are filled with fun and entertainment. Fee required

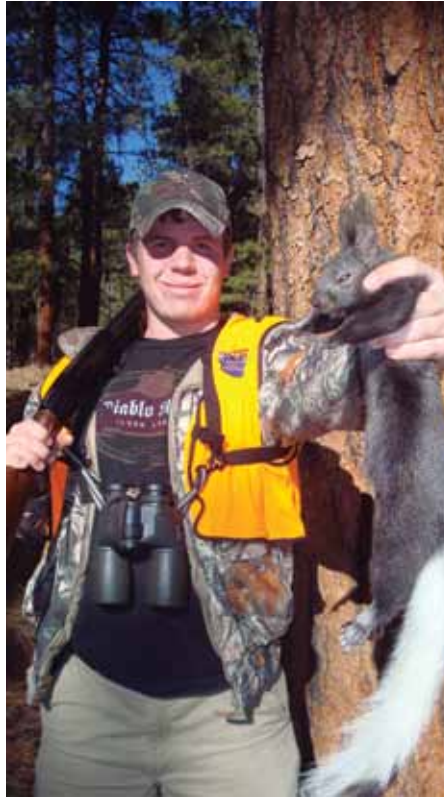
- Location: Saguaro Lake Ranch, Mesa
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org, questions awf@azwildlife.org or (480) 644-0077

FEBRUARY

Feb. 11-14, 2016: Women's Javelina HAM Hunt Camp

For women new to hunting who want to learn how to hunt javelina and other outdoor skills. Food, gear, and experienced mentors are provided for novice hunters.

- Location: S.W. Tucson area, Units 36A/B/C
- Hosted by: Coueswhitetail.com, SCI – AZ Chapter, Team Young Gunz, NWTF – Southern AZ Chapter Information: www.coueswhitetail.com/womens_javelina_hunt_2016.htm
- Register: Amanda Moors, amanda@coueswhitetail.com, (928) 200-0544



Feb. 13 -15, 2016: Youth Trappers Camp

Certified trapper's class for youth 10-17, followed by hands-on practice of wildlife trapping, equipment and supplies provided, primitive camping available onsite, some meals.

- Location: Chauncey Ranch, Mayer, AZ
- Hosted by Southwest Fur Harvesters
- Register: www.southwestfurharvesters.com, or Bob Rhoton (928) 532-5776

MARCH

March 4-6, 2016: Junior Jack Kamp

Recent hunter education graduate youth hunters learn about jackrabbit biology and basic hunting skills including skinning, harvesting and cooking jackrabbit meat. Free, food provided.

- Location: Southwest of Tucson, Unit 36A
- Hosted by: SCI – AZ Chapter, NWTF, Arizona Game and Fish
- Register: Karen Klima, kklima@azgfd.gov, (520) 975-6490

March 15: Turkey Hunting Seminar

Free seminar with Colburn & Scott Outfitters teaching the techniques for hunting Turkeys! Learn scouting, locating and calling so you can bag one of these wily birds! Raffles, door prizes, and vendors.

- Location: Calvary Community Church, 12612 N. 33rd Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85029
- Hosted by: Desert Christian Archers
- Information: AJ Murosky, info@desert-christianarchers.org

APRIL

April 15-17, 2016: 6A Youth Spring Turkey Hunting Camp - Marvin Robbins Memorial

Learn and get assistance calling and hunting wild turkeys, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camping, and food.

- Location: Happy Jack area, V bar V Ranch, Units 6A, 5A, 5B
- Hosted by: National Wild Turkey Federation, Arizona Wildlife Federation, Outdoor Experience 4 All, Xtreme Predator Callers
- Register: Tim Denny, longbeardsaz@gmail.com

April 15-17, 2016: 23 Youth Spring Turkey Hunting Camp - Marvin Robbins Memorial

Learn and get assistance calling and hunting wild turkeys, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camping and food.

- Locations: Payson area, Colcord Ridge Campground, Units 23, 4A, 4B, 3C
- Hosted by: National Wild Turkey Federation, Arizona Elk Society, Phoenix Varmint Callers
- Register: Rich Williams, azgobbler60@gmail.com

April 15-17, 2016: Turkey Sciences and Hunting Camp – Post Wallow Fire

Learn and get assistance calling and hunting wild turkeys, wildfire and wildlife sciences, seminars, outdoor skill activities, camping, and food.

- Location: White Mountains area, Unit 1, 27
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, National Wild Turkey Federation, Arizona Game and Fish, Arizona Elk Society, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

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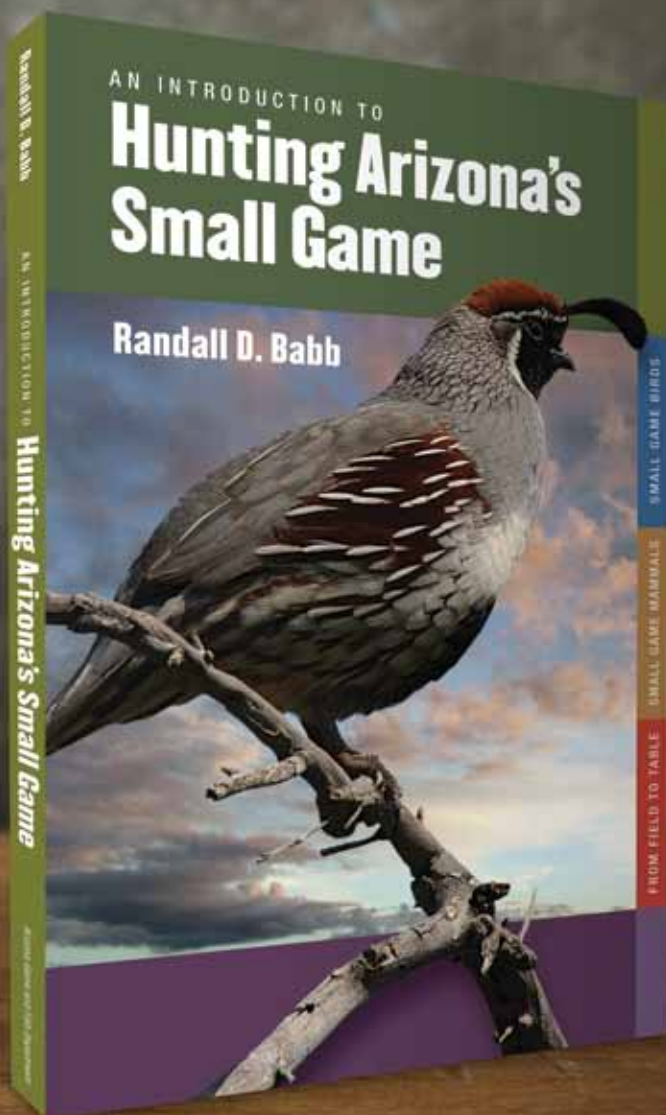
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Hunter Education



Get Ahead of the Game

The purpose of Arizona's Hunter Education Program is to promote safe, knowledgeable and responsible hunter conduct, to emphasize the importance of wildlife management, laws and regulations, and to encourage the safe handling of firearms and bowhunting equipment.

Any individual nine years of age or older may complete a hunter education course offered through the Department. To hunt big game youth under the age of 14 must complete hunter education. While you must be 10 years of age to hunt big game you may complete Hunter Education at the age of 9; however, the hunter education completion card and certificate does not become valid until the child's 10th birthday.

You may take Hunter Education in Arizona two different ways: through a traditional classroom setting or an on-line curriculum. Both courses require a hands-on field day and exam. Classroom setting courses are a minimum of 12 hours of classroom learning. Bowhunter specific Hunter Education courses are also available; however, graduates will not receive a permanent bonus point.

Classroom courses are generally offered during weekends and week-nights across the state. Field days are conducted at a local shooting range.

At a minimum your Hunter Education Course will include the following topics:

- Responsibility, safety skills.
- Funding sources.
- Conservation, fair chase, fair share, hunters' ethics and hunters' image.

The Arizona Hunter Education program is not just for youth or hunters. This educational program is a valuable experience for anyone who enjoys the outdoors and has an interest in conservation.

Hunter Education classes fill up quickly. If you need your Hunter Education card before your hunt, get ahead of the game and register now. To register for a Hunter Education class, visit www.azgfd.gov and select Education or call (602) 942-3000 or toll free at 1 (800) 824-2456.



- Planning and preparation, maps and compasses, survival skills, coping with extreme weather and basic first aid.
- Firearm safety, nomenclature, function, handling and shot-selection.
- Basic muzzleloading, bowhunting, handguns, use of boats in hunting and use of off-highway vehicles.
- Wildlife conservation, management and identification.
- Marksmanship, rifle and shotgun shooting, hunting strategies, vital shots and care of game.
- Arizona hunting laws and regulations and licensing.

Parents are encouraged to participate in the course with their child. For veteran hunters, the course serves as an excellent refresher.

To register for a Hunter Education class, visit <http://azgfdportal.az.gov/education/hunting> or call (602) 942-3000 or toll free at 1 (800) 824-2456.

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The Four Primary Rules of Firearm Safety

- **T**reat every firearm as if it were loaded.
- **A**lways keep the muzzle in a safe direction.
- **B**e sure of the target and beyond.
- **+1** Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot.
- Practice the rest of the 10 Commandments of hunter safety.
- Check your barrel and ammunition.
- Unload firearm when not in use.
- Point a firearm only at something you intend to shoot.
- Don't run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm.
- Store firearms and ammunition separately and safely.
- Avoid alcoholic beverages before and during shooting.

Hunters Need To Be Prepared

Failing to prepare can lead to injury and death. The cost of the average search and rescue mission can range from \$1,500 to \$4,000 and some searches that are extended operations or require a lot of air support may reach into the tens of thousands of dollars. Hunters should be prepared for any conditions they may face during their hunt. Below are some tips and a list of equipment that should help hunters have a more enjoyable trip.

Motorized Game Retrieval

Motorized game retrieval is prohibited in many areas around Arizona. Hunters should be aware of rules and regulations for the area they plan to hunt. Hunters should be prepared for retrieving their downed game without the use of motorized vehicles. Alternative options include horseback, backpack, and game carriers with or without wheels, depending on land status. See page 38 for more information.



Arizona's top hunter education graduates are randomly drawn each year for the AGFD Youth Pheasant Hunt. While taking a hunter education class, instructors identify their top students and submit them for this random drawing conducted in December. Upcoming classroom hunter education course information can be found at www.azgfd.gov. All classroom hunter education courses are taught by Arizona Game and Fish Department certified volunteer instructors.

Rules of Survival

S	Stop when you realize you have a problem. The first thing to do is admit to yourself that you are in trouble.
T	Think about what you need to do to survive.
O	Observe the area, look for shelter, fuel, etc.
P	Plan how you are going to use your survival kit and other resources. Don't wait until dark to plan!

SURVIVAL TIPS:

- Give a responsible person your hunting or hiking plan.
- Don't travel or hunt alone.
- Take enough food and water to last for several days in an emergency.
- Bring a map and compass, and always orient yourself before leaving camp.
- Wear layered clothing and take extra clothing, preferably wool and polyester, with you.
- Plan your outings so that you can return to camp before dark.
- Never leave camp without taking fire-starting equipment and a foil blanket.
- Don't panic if you become lost.

Youth big game hunters need a Hunter Education card to hunt. They do not need a Hunter Education card to apply for the draw, only a hunting license. Youth hunters can purchase a hunting license without having attended Hunter Education.

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Welcome to Big Game Hunting in Arizona

Arizona has 10 species of wildlife designated as big game by state statute: mule deer, white-tailed deer, pronghorn, elk, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, buffalo, bear, and mountain lion. If you also consider that Arizona is occupied by two recognized subspecies of bighorn sheep (Rocky Mountain and desert) and three subspecies of turkeys (Gould's, Merriam's and Rio Grande), there is ample evidence of the diversity of Arizona's big game, and the opportunities a hunter has to pursue. Most big game hunts have a limited number of permits for which you must be drawn to participate.

Elk and pronghorn application information was provided earlier this year. In fact, the draw for elk and pronghorn is complete

and you should know if you received one of these tags. This knowledge should help you determine if you wish to participate in another hunt, and if so, for which deer, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, and buffalo hunts to apply.

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission again authorized fall javelina permits for youth hunters. Youth hunters may wish to apply for a javelina hunt that will complement another deer hunt in which they may participate in this fall. Youth-Only deer hunters in selected units (see Youth-Only deer hunts on page 40) will also be provided the opportunity to purchase over-the-counter companion javelina tags, allowing these hunters to hunt for deer and

javelina at the same time. These hunts are excellent ways to introduce a youth to big game hunting.

Compared with last year, deer and turkey permit levels are down slightly, whereas big horn sheep opportunity has increased. Youth turkey hunters may purchase a turkey tag over-the-counter and hunt in any unit listed in the Youth-Only section.

As with any season or upcoming hunt, make sure you do your homework. Good luck and enjoy your hunting experience. For more information on these species, seasons, and hunting regulations, please visit www.azgfd.gov/hunting.

Draw Cycles

The Arizona Game and Fish Department conducts three separate application and draw cycles for big game hunt permit-tags. 2007 was the first year the Department held a separate draw for pronghorn antelope and elk. This change was made to let hunters know earlier if they have been drawn for these two popular big game animals. The three draw cycles are:

SPECIES	DRAW DEADLINE
Pronghorn antelope, elk	Second Tuesday in February (pending Commission approval)
Deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall buffalo, pheasant	Second Tuesday in June (pending Commission approval)
Spring javelina, spring bear, spring turkey, spring buffalo	Second Tuesday in October (pending Commission approval)

PLEASE NOTE:

Homeland Security Issues along the International Border may affect the quality of a person's hunt. Call 1-800-BE-ALERT to report suspicious activity.

Know the facts and make your own choice

- Lead is a naturally occurring element in the environment and has many beneficial uses. However, it is a known toxin and has been removed from many consumer products like pipes, paint and gasoline.
- Lead has been used in the manufacture of ammunition and fishing tackle for centuries because of its unique properties, availability, performance, and ease and low cost to manufacture.
- Spent ammunition, lost fishing tackle and lead fragments in carcasses and gut piles can be ingested by wildlife. In some cases, these lead sources can cause illness or death in individual animals.
- Birds are the most susceptible to lead toxicity, and population-level effects have been documented in waterfowl and California condors.
- State fish and wildlife agencies have primary responsibility for managing fish and wildlife resources and use the best science to implement focused management solutions when population effects are documented. Educating the public about wildlife issues is part of their mission.
- Hunters and anglers have been the primary supporters of wildlife conservation in North

America since the early 1900s. Collaboration with industry, conservation organizations and shooting-sports interests is also essential to ensuring continued protection of our wildlife resources and conservation heritage.

- Non-lead ammunition and fishing tackle alternatives are becoming more widely available and reasonably priced. Using non-lead alternatives can prevent lead poisoning of individual wildlife and may offer better performance.
- Hunters who choose to use lead ammunition can still help to reduce lead poisoning in scavenging animals by removing the entire game carcass from the field.

Availability

Non-lead ammo alternatives are available for big game, varmint and small game hunting. Non-fragmenting solid copper or copper alloy bullets are now loaded in most hunting calibers. Highly frangible non-lead varmint bullets (compressed copper or tin powder) are available in both centerfire and rimfire cartridges. Non-lead shot (steel, tungsten, and bismuth) is also available.

To learn more about lead and wildlife, visit www.azgfd.gov/lead.

What hunting magazines and Arizona hunters say about solid copper bullets:

"I was very impressed with the bullet's performance, the buck literally dropped in its tracks." – *Kaibab deer hunter*

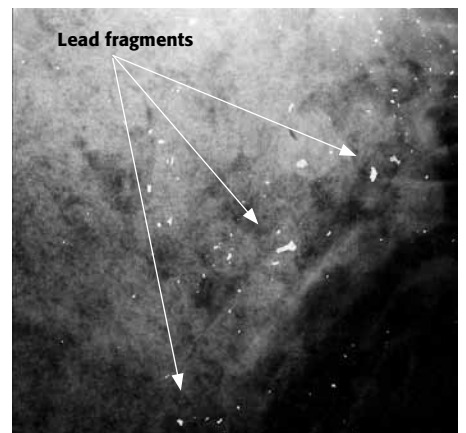
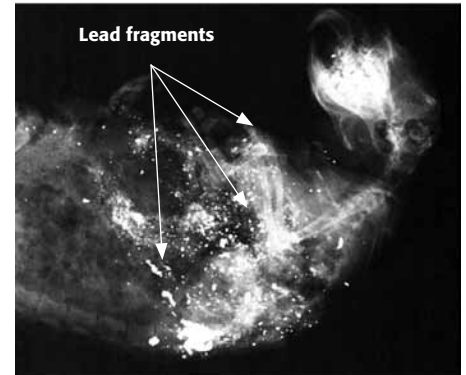
"Accurate, zero bloodshot, no wasted game meat." – *Kaibab deer hunter*

"I've never seen deadlier performance on game." – *Safari Club International article*

"While their terminal performance is the stuff of legend, they are also capable of remarkable accuracy." – *American Rifleman article*

LEAD VS. NON-LEAD AMMO COSTS 2014 PRICES FROM ONLINE AMMO RETAILERS

.30-06 165 gr. loaded ammo, Box of 20 (big game hunting)	Basic lead: \$17-\$20, Premium lead: \$25-\$40, Non-lead: \$30-\$40
.223 loaded ammo, Box of 20 (35-55 gr.) (varmint hunting)	Basic lead: \$6-\$10, Premium lead: \$20-\$27, Non-lead: \$22-\$27
.22 long rifle rimfire, Box of 50 (25-40 gr.) (small game hunting)	Basic lead: \$2-\$4, Premium lead: \$5-\$10, Non-lead: \$6-\$11
12 gauge #6 shotshells, Box of 25 (upland game/dove hunting)	Lead: \$7-\$25, Steel: \$7-\$32



X-ray of prairie dog (top), coyote (center) and a deer (bottom) gut pile. All contain lead bullet fragments that could be ingested by wildlife.



Eagles and other raptors feed on game remains and ingest lead shot and bullet fragments. Doves and waterfowl are known to pick up lead shot in the field.

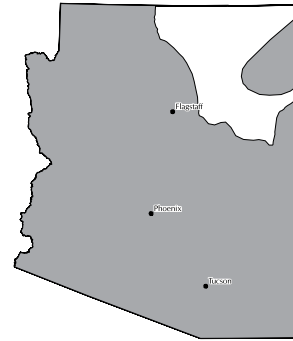
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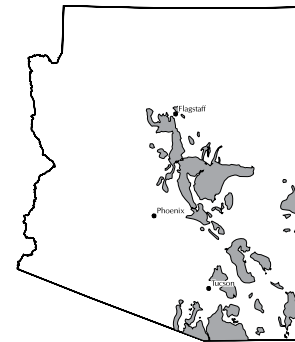
Mule Deer



White-tailed Deer



■ Mule Deer Distribution



■ White-tailed Deer Distribution

For further information on mule deer and white-tailed deer, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. EXCEPT for some Archery-Only deer, a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. Nonpermit-tags are only valid for one calendar year.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Muzzleloader Hunt: Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
Legal Animal Definition	Antlered means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed, as defined in R12-4-101.
Bag Limit	One (1) deer per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

*To hunt deer in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a deer tag. To hunt deer during a General, Youth-Only, Muzzleloader or Archery-Only season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. **If a person is applying for a Youth-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.***

Archery deer hunters, you no longer have to call in and report your deer harvest. However, returning your hunter questionnaire is very important.

The Department offers "Youth-Only" designated hunts, in which persons are eligible to participate up to their 18th birthday. A youth hunter, whose 18th birthday occurs after opening day of a "Youth-Only" designated hunt for which the hunter has a valid permit or tag, may continue to participate for the duration of the "Youth-Only" designated hunt. Provided that persons between the ages of 10 and 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona.

Motorized Big Game Retrieval on National Forest Lands

All national forests are undergoing or have recently completed travel management planning, which will result in changes to motor vehicle use on national forest lands. National forests that have made a decision implementing the travel management rule (<http://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/programs/ohv/final.pdf>) only allow motorized use on designated roads, trails and areas as identified on a free Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). These maps are available for free at Forest Service offices and electronically for smartphone and mobile devices. The forests that have electronic maps will have instructions on how to download the maps listed on their websites. The new travel management rules include restrictions on driving cross-country for big game retrieval. The Coronado National Forest and Prescott National Forest have made a decision implementing the new travel management rules and have released MVUM maps; motorized big game retrieval off the designated road system is not allowed on either forest. The South Kaibab National Forest and the

Coconino National Forest have also recently established new travel management rules and published MVUMs. The South Kaibab National Forest allows for cross-country motorized retrieval of elk in all Game Management Units. The Coconino National Forest has restricted motorized retrieval of elk to Game Management Units 6A, 6B and 7, and 8. The North Kaibab National Forest allows for cross country motorized travel for retrieval of elk and bison in all Game Management Units. Motorized retrieval of all other species including deer is not permitted the Coronado, Prescott, Kaibab or Coconino National Forests. Other national forests including the Apache-Sitgreaves and Tonto National Forests are engaged in travel management planning and have not yet issued decisions. If you have a permit to hunt in a Game Management Unit that includes one or more national forests, please contact the appropriate national forest(s) for updated information relative to motor vehicle use and motorized big game retrieval, before your hunt starts.

Deer: Commission Order 2

GENERAL DEER

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1000	BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 19 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
1001	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015		1	Any antlered deer	225
1002	Oct 30 - Nov 8, 2015	(39)	2A, 2B, and 2C	Any antlered deer	100
1003	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	125
1004	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(26,40)	4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	241
1005	Oct 30 - Nov 8, 2015	(18,20,26,36,40)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	282
1006	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(18,36)	6A	Antlered mule deer	475
1007	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(1,18,36,38)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered mule deer	275
1008	Oct 30 - Nov 8, 2015	(18,36)	7	Any antlered deer	1025
1009	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(18,36)	8	Antlered mule deer	525
1010	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(18,36)	9	Any antlered deer	425
1011	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36,41)	10	Any antlered deer	350
1012	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(2,3,36)	12A East	Any antlered deer	95
1013	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(2,3,36)	12A East	Any antlered deer	30
1014	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(2,4,36)	12A West	Any antlered deer	450
1015	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(2,4,36)	12A West	Any antlered deer	100
1016	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(13,36)	12B	Any antlered deer	25
1017	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(13,36)	12B	Any antlered deer	20
1018	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	140
1019	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	85
1020	Nov 13 - Nov 22, 2015	(13,36)	13A	Any antlered deer	60
1021	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(13,36)	13B	Any antlered deer	70
1022	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(6,36,44)	16A (except Mohave County Park lands)	Any antlered deer	350
1023	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36)	17A	Any antlered deer	200
1024	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36,45)	17B	Any antlered deer	425
1025	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36,45)	17B	Any antlered deer	15
1026	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36)	18A	Any antlered deer	550
1027	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	275
1028	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	275
1029	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36,46)	19A	Any antlered deer	675
1030	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(11,36,47)	19B	Any antlered deer	225
1031	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(36,48)	20A	Any antlered deer	750
1032	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(35,36)	20B	Any antlered deer	350
1033	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	400
1034	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	400
1035	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(13,36)	21	Antlered mule deer	550
1036	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(22,36)	22	Antlered mule deer	600
1037	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(36)	23	Antlered mule deer	625
1038	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	23	Antlered mule deer	20
1039	Nov 13 - Nov 22, 2015	(36)	24A	Antlered mule deer	300
1040	Nov 13 - Nov 22, 2015	(36)	24B	Antlered mule deer	400
1041	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015		27	Antlered mule deer	525
1042	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015		27	Antlered mule deer	25

Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

GENERAL DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1043	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(36)	28	Antlered mule deer	425
1044	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(36)	28	Antlered mule deer	375
1045	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered mule deer	75
1046	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered mule deer	75
1047	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered mule deer	375
1048	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered mule deer	375
1049	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400
1050	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400
1051	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered mule deer	100
1052	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered mule deer	100
1053	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered mule deer	350
1054	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered mule deer	350
1055	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(31,36)	33	Antlered mule deer	300
1056	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Antlered mule deer	25
1057	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered mule deer	50
1058	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered mule deer	50
1059	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered mule deer	300
1060	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered mule deer	300
1061	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150
1062	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150
1063	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered mule deer	100
1064	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered mule deer	100
1065	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(13,30,31,33,42)	37A	Any antlered deer	75
1066	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(13,30,31,33,42)	37A	Any antlered deer	75
1067	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(19,36)	37B	Any antlered deer	500
1068	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(19,36)	37B	Any antlered deer	500
1069	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(7,13,25,36)	39, 40A, and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	425
1070	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(8,36)	41	Any antlered deer	550
1071	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(36)	42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	275
1072	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(6,8,34,36)	43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B	Any antlered deer	500
1073	Nov 6 - Nov 15, 2015	(6,36)	45A, 45B, and 45C	Any antlered deer	275
1074	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1075	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1076	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1077	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(1,18,36,38)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered whitetail deer	55
1078	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,18,36,38)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 8	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1079	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(18,36)	8	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1080	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(13,36)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	625
1081	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(13,36)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	30
1082	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(22,36)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1083	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(22,36)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1084	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(22,36)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1085	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(36)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	290
1086	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(36)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	285
1087	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	85
1088	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1089	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1090	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1091	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1092	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1093	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1094	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1095	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1096	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1097	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1098	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	250
1099	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	225
1100	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	225
1101	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1102	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1103	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1104	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1105	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1106	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1107	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	125

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GENERAL DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1108	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1109	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1110	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1111	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1112	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1113	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1114	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1115	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1116	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1117	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1118	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700
1119	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700
1120	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700
1121	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1122	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675
1123	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675
1124	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1125	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1126	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1127	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1128	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1129	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1130	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1131	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1132	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1133	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1134	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1135	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1136	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1137	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1138	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	450
1139	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	500
1140	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	450
1141	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1142	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800
1143	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800
1144	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	750
1145	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1146	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1147	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1148	Nov 27 - Dec 6, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1149	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,31,36,42)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	125
----	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(26)	Hopi Tribal Member Hunt in Units 4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	---
----	Oct 30 - Nov 8, 2015	(18,20,26,36)	Hopi Tribal Member Hunt in Units 5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	---
----	Nov 20 - Dec 31, 2015	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
Total					41613

YOUTH-ONLY DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1150	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(18,20,26,36,40)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	94
1151	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2015	(36,41)	10	Any antlered deer	40
1152	Oct 9 - Oct 12, 2015	(2,4,12,36)	12A West	Antlerless deer	400
1153	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2015	(11,36,45,46,47,48)	17B, 19A, 19B, 20A	Any antlered deer	200
1154	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	65
1155	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(36)	20B and 21	Any antlered deer	50
1156	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	250
1157	Dec 18 - Dec 31, 2015	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	50
1158	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(22,36)	22	Any antlered deer	100
1159	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(36)	23	Any antlered deer	175
1160	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015		27	Any antlered deer	75
1161	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(6,11,17,21,31,36)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any antlered deer	150

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YOUTH-ONLY DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1162	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(17,31,36)	33	Any antlered deer	150
1163	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(31,36)	33	Any antlered deer	150
1164	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(6,17,31,36)	36A	Any antlered deer	175
1165	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(6,17,31,32,36)	36B	Any antlered deer	125
1166	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(36)	42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	75
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(18,20,26,36)	Hopi Tribal Member Hunt in Units 5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	---
----	Nov 13 - Nov 29, 2015	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
Total					2324

C.H.A.M.P. DEER (Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit required, see R12-4-217)

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1167	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2015	(2,4,36)	12A West	Any antlered deer	10
Total					10

MUZZLELOADER DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1168	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015		3B	Any antlered deer	100
1169	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(1,18,36,38)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any antlered deer	275
1170	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(18,36)	8	Any antlered deer	15
1171	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(18,36)	9	Any antlered deer	25
1172	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(3,36)	12A East	Any antlered deer	50
1173	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2015	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	25
1174	Oct 23 - Nov 1, 2015	(6,36,43)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any antlered deer	200
1175	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2015	(35,36)	20B	Any antlered deer	110
1176	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(36)	33	Any antlered deer	200
1177	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2015	(10,36)	34A	Any antlered deer	25
1178	Oct 30 - Nov 5, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	40
1179	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	10
1180	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2015	(7,8,13,36)	39, 40A, 40B, 41, and 42 (except White Tank Mountain Park) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Footnote 7)	Any antlered deer	50
----	Nov 20 - Dec 31, 2015	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
Total					1125

YOUTH-ONLY (MUZZLELOADER) DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1181	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(6,17,36,43)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any antlered deer	20
1182	Dec 18 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,17,36,44)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	25
Total					45

ARCHERY-ONLY DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1183	Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	100
1184	Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(14)	12A and 12B	Any antlered deer	550
1185	Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(13)	13A	Any antlered deer	30
1186	Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(13)	13B	Any antlered deer	25
Total					705

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ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED DEER

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		SEASON DATES AND LEGAL WILDLIFE			
Open Area	Notes	Aug 21-Sep 10, 2015	Dec 11-31, 2015	Jan 1-15, 2016	Jan 1-31, 2016
1		Any Antlered Deer			
2A/2B/2C	39	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
3B		Any Antlered Deer			
4A	40	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
4B	40	Any Antlered Deer			
5A/5B	18,20,40	Any Antlered Deer			
6A	18	Any Antlered Deer			
6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	1,18,38	Any Antlered Deer			
6B South	18,27				Any Antlered Deer
7	18	Any Antlered Deer			
8	18	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
9	18	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
10	41	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
11M (Special regulations Apply - See Note 37)	37	Any Antlered Deer			
15A/15B (Special regulations Apply - See Note 43)	43	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
15C/15D	6	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
16A (excluding Mohave County Park Lands) (Special regulations Apply - See Note 44)	6,44	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
17A		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
17B (Special regulations Apply - See Note 45)	45	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
18A		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
18B		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
19A (Special regulations Apply - See Note 46)	46	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
19B (Special regulations Apply - See Note 47)	11,47	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
20A (Special regulations Apply - See Note 48)	48	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
20B	35	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
20C		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
21	13	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
22	22	Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
23		Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
24A		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
24B		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
25M (Special regulations Apply - See Note 37)	16,28,35,37		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
26M (excluding Cave Creek Recreation Area) (Special regulations Apply - See Note 37)	15,23,29,30,35,37		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
27		Any Antlered Deer			Any Antlered Deer
28		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
29	11	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer	
30A	6,11	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
30B	11	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
31	21	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
32	11,21,31	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
33	31	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
34A	10	Any Antlered Deer	Antlered Whitetail Only		Any Antlered Deer
34B (Special regulations Apply - See Note 49)	31,49	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
35B		Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
36A	6,31	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
36B	6,31,32	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
36C	6,31,42	Any Antlered Deer	Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
37A	13,30,31,33,42			Any Antlered Deer	
37B	19		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
38M (Special regulations Apply - See Note 24)	24		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
39/40A/40B	7,13,25,35		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
41	8		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
42	35				Any Antlered Deer
43A/43B/44A/44B	6,8,34		Any Antlered Deer		Any Antlered Deer
45A/45B/45C	6				Any Antlered Deer
Camp Navajo	1	Any Antlered Deer			
Fort Huachuca	9	Any Antlered Deer			

Deer Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed hunters who meet the qualifications as "Authorized Participants" according to the installation hunting policies outlined on the Camp Navajo website. Hunters must agree to the Camp Navajo hunting policies during the required registration at <https://dema.az.gov/camp-navajo/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. All hunters are required to show proof of attendance to a hunter safety education course during paperwork submission for the Camp Navajo permit. Increases in Force Protection Conditions, training missions and industrial operations may result in partial or complete hunt cancellation at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. Successful Unit 12A (North Kaibab) firearms deer hunters must check out and personally present their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308. A check station will not be operated during the Unit 12A (North Kaibab) CHAMP, muzzleloader, or archery deer seasons.
3. 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
4. 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
5. 12B West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12B beginning at the Arizona-Utah Stateline and BLM Rd. 1065; south on BLM 1065 to U.S. Hwy 89A; west on U.S. Hwy 89A to Kaibab National Forest boundary; north then west then south on the Kaibab National Forest boundary to Kanab Creek; north on Kanab Creek to the Arizona-Utah Stateline; east on the Arizona-Utah Stateline to BLM 1065.
6. The Buenos Aires, Cibola, Imperial, and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to deer hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
7. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the appropriate land management agency for hunting access to Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and some adjacent areas. The BMGR is closed to hunting except open public recreational use areas, as allowed by an authorized entry permit. For specifics about accessing the BMGR refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
8. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to deer hunting except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Program Access Permit and coordinating with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must obtain a hunting access permit before entering YPG. Access permits are issued at the YPG Visitor Center located at building 2020 at the Wahner E. Brooks Exhibit Park off Imperial Dam Road. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 6:30am-5:00pm. Hunting access permit applicants must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement, receive a Range Safety Briefing, and undergo an NCIC background check. Furthermore, all firearms must be registered at the visitor center prior to entering YPG. Do not bring the firearms into the visitor center. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be closed. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 307, Attn: Hunting Program, 307 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498; email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.mbx.hunting@mail.mil; call (928) 328-2125; or visit <http://www.yuma.army.mil/Visiting/HuntingatYPG.aspx>.
9. The Fort Huachuca Army Garrison in Unit 35A is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Youth only hunts are only open to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian dependents holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
10. The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
11. Hunter access is extremely restricted in this unit. Applicants should secure access before applying.
12. An "antlerless deer" is a deer, any age, without antlers.
13. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
14. Unit 12A archery deer hunters are not required to check their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station.
15. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
16. A portion of Unit 25M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 25M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
17. Individuals with permits for these hunts are eligible to purchase Restricted Nonpermit tags for the corresponding javelina population management seasons listed in Commission Order 26.
18. The U.S. Forest Service has expressed concern regarding road damage during wet weather. The Department is working with the U.S. Forest Service to provide limited access via designated core roads in Units 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, and 9 that will remain open during periods when other roads may be closed. When weather is deemed severe, the core roads may also be closed to prevent excessive road damage, provide for public safety, and protect natural resources. Roads that have been closed are closed to all users. Hunters should respect and obey road closures and drive responsibly during wet periods. It is recommended that hunters contact the appropriate Forest Service office to determine current road status for their hunt area (see the Index: Hunting on Public Lands).

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19. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
20. In the northern portion of Unit 5A, access is permitted on the Clear Creek Ranch by written permission only by contacting the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program via e-mail at hopihunts@hopi.nsn.us or by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605 from Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Please contact in advance to gain access for hunting and scouting. In Unit 5B North, access is permitted on the Hopi's Hart/Drye Ranch and in Unit 4A on the Hopi's Aja Ranch by signing in at designated sign-in boxes located at access points.
21. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
22. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of deer during open season.
23. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: the unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
24. Tucson Mountain Park in Unit 38M is open to hunting for archery-only. Archery deer and javelina hunters planning to hunt in the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area in Unit 38M must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Department Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
25. Unit 39 - Arlington, Base and Meridian, Robbins Butte, and Powers Butte Wildlife Areas are closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
26. Hopi Trust lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B are open to both state and Hopi hunters under an agreement with the Hopi Tribe. A percentage of tags are set aside for Hopi Tribal member hunters. Hunt numbers for these hunts must be obtained from the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605. Non-Hopi Tribal members cannot apply for these hunts. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department on the standard form by the published deadline. If all permits for these hunts are not issued through the draw, the left-over permits will be available to all hunters (tribal and non-tribal) through the first-come, first-serve process; the list of hunts with left over permits list will be maintained on the Arizona Game and Fish Department website.
27. 6B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 6B located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 89A (mp 371) and FR 152 (Dry Creek Rd.); north on FR 152 to FR 152C (Boynton Pass Rd.); west on FR 152C to FR 525 (Red Canyon Rd.); northwest on FR 525 to the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary at Gate 2 of 9999 Red Canyon Rd.; westerly along the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary to the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary (at the gate in section 18); southwest along the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary to Dogie Trail (Forest Trail 116); northwest on Dogie Trail to Sycamore Creek.
28. Within Unit 25M as described in R12-4-108, all incorporated lands, including private property within municipal boundaries, are closed to hunting unless opened under Commission Order. Incorporated includes all municipal and corporate limits. County islands are open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
29. The following described area in the City of Maricopa in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
30. The following described area in the Town of Eloy in Units 26M and 37A is closed to hunting: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
31. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
32. The following described area in Unit 36B is closed to hunting: in the posted portion of Sopor Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopor Ranch is open to hunting.
33. The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
34. The following described area in the Town of Quartzsite in Units 43A and 44B is closed to

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- hunting: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
35. The following parks and preserves in Maricopa County are open to hunting for archery-only: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional parks and McDowell Sonoran Preserve. Hunting in parks and preserves opened by this Commission Order is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
 36. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries (except in Unit 39 west of AZ Hwy 85) are closed to deer hunting during this hunt.
 37. Those portions of Units 11M, 25M, and 26M within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building within municipal or corporate limits are closed to deer hunting during this season.
 38. Rogers Lake Coconino County Natural Area in Unit 6B is open to deer hunting; this area is closed to all vehicle access and is closed to motorized big game retrieval. Hunting is not permitted within ¼ mile of any occupied building, wildlife viewing platform, picnic area, or developed trailhead.
 39. Areas of public or private land within or surrounded by the Navajo Nation are included as part of the open area for this hunt number.
 40. Hopi Trust Lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B - The Hopi Tribe Wildlife & Ecosystems Management Program requires all AZGFD State Certified/Licensed Outfitters and Guides who conduct business (guide, pre-scout, or request access on behalf of their clients) on the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B North to contact the Chief Revenue Officer at the Office of Revenue Commission at 928-734-3172 to obtain an annual Hopi Tribal Business License. Upon approval of a Hopi Tribal Business License, access to the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches may be obtained via email at [hopi.nsn.us](mailto:hophunts@hopi.nsn.us) or by calling 928-734-3605 or 928-734-3606 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (MST).
 41. Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch in Unit 10 has implemented new Ranch Rules and a mandatory permitting process which includes an impact fee for all hunting activities within the ranch boundaries. The Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch encompasses the entire western half of the Unit 10, approximately 720,000 acres. If planning to hunt the Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch portion of Unit 10, hunters are advised to visit the Ranch's website: www.HuntBigBoRanch.com.
 42. The following City of Tucson water Properties located in Avra Valley are open to hunting via foot access only: the Duval property in Unit 36C and the Buckelew property in Unit 37A; all other Tucson water properties are closed to hunting.
 43. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 15B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of West Tennessee Ave and Tennessee Ave; east on Tennessee Ave to Patterson Lane; south and west on Patterson Lane to Tennessee Wash; northeast along Tennessee Wash to Tennessee Ave; west on Tennessee Ave to 6th St; north on 6th St to Emerson Ave; west on Emerson Ave to 4th St; north and west on 4th St to West Tennessee Ave; south on West Tennessee Ave to Tennessee Ave.
 44. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 16A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: that portion of Unit 16A in Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Section 28 (Pine Lakes Community is within this area).
 45. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 17B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10) and Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); west on Iron Springs Rd to Contreras Rd; north and west on Contreras Rd to Tonto Rd (FR 102); north on FR 102 to Fair Oaks Rd; east on Fair Oaks Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (FR 6); south on Williamson Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd.
 46. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; north on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 89A; east on Hwy 89A to Glassford Hill Rd; south on Glassford Hill Rd to AZ Hwy 69; west and south on AZ Hwy 69 to AZ Hwy 89.
 47. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 (Gurley St); west on Gurley St to Grove Ave; north on Grove Ave to Miller Valley Rd; northwest on Miller Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); northwest on Iron Springs Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); north on Williamson Valley Rd to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks; north and east along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks to Hwy 89; south on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 69.
 48. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 20A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to deer hunting during this season: beginning at the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer; west on Central Ave to Miami St; south on Miami St to Main St; west on Main St to First St; south on First St to Fair Mist Ave; east on Fair Mist Ave to Jefferson St; southwest on Jefferson St which becomes Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177); continue south and west on Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177) to Senator Hwy (FR 52); north and west on Senator Hwy (FR 52) to Wolf Creek Rd; west on Wolf Creek Rd to Indian Creek Rd; north on Indian Creek Rd to Hwy 89; south on Hwy 89 to the Copper Creek Rd (FR 53); north on FR 53 to Copper Basin Rd; west on Copper Basin Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); north and east on Iron Springs Rd to Miller Valley Rd; south on Miller Valley Rd to Grove Ave; south on Grove Ave to Gurley St; east on Gurley St to Hwy 69; east and south on Hwy 69 to the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer.
 49. Those portions of Unit 34B within a ¼ mile of an occupied building or residence are closed to deer hunting during this season.

Deer Hunts

Draw odds reflect an applicant's chance of receiving their first choice only and are computed without regard to bonus points. Hunt Success is calculated based upon responses from the Hunter Harvest Questionnaires.

2014 Drawing Odds & Success Rate

Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st & 2nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
GENERAL DEER						
1	Antlered	10/24-11/2	225	1651	18	30
2	Antlered	10/31-11/9	100	480	30	24
3A/3C	Antlered	10/24-11/2	125	3808	4	76
4	Antlered	10/24-11/2	241	1559	21	14
4(Hopi)	Antlered	10/24-11/2	9	18	100	0
5	Antlered	10/31-11/9	424	3549	19	26
5(Hopi)	Antlered	10/31-11/9	26	21	100	20
6A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	150	469	48	11
6A	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	475	4100	19	22
6A	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	125	388	48	43
6A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	50	899	7	39
6B	Ant.MD	11/7-11/13	275	960	44	16
6B	Ant.WT	10/31-11/6	55	86	95	13
6B/8	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	25	287	10	35
7(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	591	36	73
7(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	591	36	73
7	Antlered	10/31-11/9	875	3134	39	21
8	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	625	3423	30	26
8	Ant.WT	10/24-11/2	75	162	49	18
9	Antlered	10/31-11/6	400	1435	37	24
10(Y)	Antlered	10/3-10/12	40	311	25	46
10(Y)	Antlered	10/3-10/12	40	311	25	46
10	Antlered	10/24-11/2	400	1661	40	23
12AEast	Antlered	11/21-11/30	30	1452	3	60
12AEast	Antlered	10/24-11/2	95	1483	9	63
12AWest	Antlered	9/12-9/18	10	75	14	60
12AWest	Antlered	11/21-11/30	135	4987	4	76
12AWest(Y)	Antlerless	10/10-10/13	250	541	53	90
12AWest(Y)	Antlerless	11/7-11/10	100	330	61	86
12AWest	Antlered	10/24-11/2	500	4599	12	63
12AWest(Y)	Antlerless	10/10-10/13	250	541	53	90
12AWest(Y)	Antlerless	11/7-11/10	100	330	61	83
12B	Antlered	10/24-11/2	25	319	14	14
12B	Antlered	11/21-11/30	20	1093	2	80
12BWest	Antlered	11/21-11/30	85	1759	5	82
12BWest	Antlered	10/24-11/2	130	741	21	61
13A	Antlered	11/14-11/23	60	3791	2	75
13B	Antlered	11/7-11/16	70	5330	2	73
16A	Antlered	10/24-11/2	450	530	99	18
17A	Antlered	10/24-11/2	275	889	45	17
17B	Antlered	12/12-12/21	15	706	2	87
17B	Antlered	10/24-11/2	425	1556	39	26
17B/19A/ 19B/20A(Y)	Antlered	10/3-10/12	200	804	32	67
17B/19A/ 19B/20A(Y)	Antlered	10/3-10/12	200	804	32	66
18A	Antlered	10/24-11/2	600	843	94	17
18B(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	75	259	41	53
18B	Antlered	11/7-11/13	300	664	71	26
18B(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	75	259	41	49
18B	Antlered	10/24-10/30	300	1042	44	32
19A	Antlered	10/24-11/2	625	2504	39	35
19B	Antlered	10/24-11/2	225	568	66	25
20A	Antlered	10/24-11/2	750	1757	57	25
20B	Antlered	11/7-11/13	390	572	87	12
20B/21(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	50	311	28	61
20B/21(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	50	311	28	61
20C	Antlered	10/24-10/30	380	647	81	28
20C	Antlered	11/7-11/13	380	387	100	33
20C(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	200	189	97	35
20C(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	200	189	97	35
21	Ant.MD	11/7-11/13	550	1897	43	20
21	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	30	856	6	17
21	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	625	771	99	17
22	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	600	2130	44	12
22(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	100	658	30	74
22	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	800	1418	68	19
22	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	50	1421	5	60

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Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st & 2nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
GENERAL DEER						
22(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	100	658	30	75
23	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	575	1205	64	15
23	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	85	1808	7	53
23	Ant.MD	12/12-12/31	20	1455	2	65
23	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	625	2847	33	19
23(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	175	963	27	53
23(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	175	963	27	53
24A	Ant.MD	11/14-11/23	300	1045	41	24
24A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	325	468	92	19
24A	Ant.WT	10/31-11/6	375	246	100	18
24A	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	375	418	92	24
24A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	50	788	7	63
24B	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	475	456	100	23
24B	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	475	759	83	25
24B	Ant.MD	11/14-11/23	450	1217	54	13
24B	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	756	8	67
27	Ant.MD	12/12-12/31	25	1741	2	65
27(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	100	829	16	65
27(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	100	829	16	65
27	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	625	2558	30	42
27/28	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	770	7	46
27/28	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	600	578	97	22
28	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	375	381	100	18
28	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	425	609	82	20
28/29/30 31/32(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	831	25	69
28/29/30 31/32(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	831	25	69
29	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	250	192	85	10
29	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	225	129	95	30
29	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	75	123	100	28
29	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	75	160	64	21
29	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	354	13	43
29	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	225	113	100	20
30A	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	200	101	100	20
30A	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	200	67	100	28
30A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	200	62	100	21
30A	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	375	441	100	16
30A	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	375	600	79	20
30A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	257	20	31
30B	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	400	549	99	21
30B	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	125	87	98	27
30B	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	400	746	85	21
30B	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	100	152	66	42
30B	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	125	76	100	24
30B	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	75	349	26	59
31	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	200	416	66	34
31	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	150	274	77	34
31	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	150	298	70	41
31	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	125	1075	12	66
31	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	100	357	46	31
31	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	100	514	30	46
32	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	350	801	72	29
32	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	350	979	47	29
32	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	450	477	96	26
32	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	681	7	30
32	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	400	435	98	22
32	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	450	529	100	25
33	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	700	1505	59	35
33	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	700	1461	66	26
33(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	150	406	57	34
33	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	50	1894	4	55
33	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	300	825	57	19
33(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	690	31	51
33(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	150	406	57	34
33(Y)	Antlered	10/10-10/16	150	690	31	50
33	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	700	1306	86	30

Deer Hunts

Draw odds reflect an applicant's chance of receiving their first choice only and are computed without regard to bonus points. Hunt Success is calculated based upon responses from the Hunter Harvest Questionnaires.

2014 Drawing Odds & Success Rate

Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st & 2 nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
GENERAL DEER						
34A	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	600	654	98	31
34A	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	675	670	98	25
34A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	1013	5	46
34A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	675	779	96	22
34A	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	25	319	11	0
34B	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	50	203	41	31
34B	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	50	152	57	14
34B	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	100	97	100	5
34B	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	100	88	100	17
34B	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	283	15	40
34B	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	100	115	100	17
35A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	637	10	29
35A	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	325	236	97	22
35A	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	375	216	100	12
35A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	375	260	96	14
35B	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	350	370	100	35
35B	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	425	389	98	21
35B	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	582	9	50
35B	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	425	377	95	21
36A	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	325	815	66	18
36A(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	200	300	98	49
36A	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	555	10	78
36A	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	400	208	94	21
36A	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	300	991	39	16
36A	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	450	324	92	24
36A	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	500	212	100	27
36A(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	200	300	98	45
36B	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	750	574	95	29
36B(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	125	243	89	45
36B	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	40	973	6	63
36B(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/27	125	243	89	47
36B	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	800	764	97	25
36B	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	800	607	98	27
36B	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	150	584	40	24
36B	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	150	445	61	36
36C	Ant.WT	10/24-10/30	175	189	100	34
36C	Ant.WT	11/7-11/13	175	147	88	23
36C	Ant.WT	11/28-12/7	175	203	85	44
36C	Ant.WT	12/12-12/31	125	823	14	63
36C	Ant.MD	11/14-11/20	100	203	71	24
36C	Ant.MD	10/31-11/6	100	249	68	20
37A	Antlered	11/14-11/20	75	458	25	24

2014 Drawing Odds & Success Rate

Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st & 2 nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
GENERAL DEER						
37A	Antlered	10/31-11/6	75	426	26	32
37B	Antlered	10/31-11/6	500	1521	51	21
37B	Antlered	11/14-11/20	500	1298	64	19
39/40	Antlered	10/31-11/6	225	521	78	17
39/40	Antlered	10/24-10/30	175	622	45	18
41	Antlered	10/31-11/9	550	1255	64	29
42(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	75	98	93	21
42(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	75	98	93	21
42	Antlered	10/31-11/9	250	540	68	16
43/44	Antlered	10/31-11/9	500	1127	70	22
45	Antlered	10/31-11/9	275	616	71	37
MUZZLELOADER						
3B	Antlered	10/24-11/2	100	255	40	14
5	Antlered	12/12-12/31	1	3	0	***
5	Antlered	12/12-12/31	14	346	5	36
6B	Antlered	10/24-10/30	275	414	83	23
9	Antlered	11/7-11/13	25	56	62	35
12A East	Antlered	11/7-11/13	30	266	10	56
12B West	Antlered	11/7-11/13	20	354	12	79
15(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	20	24	43	54
15	Antlered	10/24-11/2	200	204	96	24
15(Y)	Antlered	11/21-11/30	20	24	43	62
16A(Y)	Antlered	12/19-12/31	25	98	30	33
16A(Y)	Antlered	12/19-12/31	25	98	30	52
20B	Antlered	10/24-10/30	110	59	100	9
33	Antlered	11/14-11/20	200	82	100	17
34A	Antlered	11/14-11/20	25	67	39	48
35	Antlered	10/31-11/6	80	83	86	5
35	Antlered	12/12-12/31	20	221	13	0
39/40/41/42	Antlered	12/12-12/31	50	583	9	58
ARCHERY-DRAW UNITS						
3A/3C	Antlered	8/22-9/11	150	477	40	19
3A/3C	Antlered	8/22-9/11	150	477	40	19
12	Antlered	8/22-9/11	800	1330	65	30
12	Antlered	8/22-9/11	800	1330	65	30
13A	Antlered	8/22-9/11	30	512	8	64
13A	Antlered	8/22-9/11	30	512	8	64
13B	Antlered	8/22-9/11	25	607	4	70
13B	Antlered	8/22-9/11	25	607	4	70

Y = Youth-only hunt

Hunters can Help Monitor Arizona Deer Health – Submit Deer Heads for CWD Testing

Bring the head of your recently harvested deer to any Game and Fish Department office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (office addresses are listed on page 5). Department personnel will collect a tissue sample for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing. Hunters that are successful in Units 1, 2, 3, 27, 28, 29 and 30A are especially encouraged to submit heads because these units are close to New Mexico, a state that has detected CWD in deer and elk.

It is best if the head has been kept cool and is submitted within a day of harvest. The head may be placed in a garbage bag for delivery. You will be asked to provide information on approximately where the animal was harvested (within your unit) and where you can be reached (phone number) in case the test is positive. No CWD has been detected in Arizona's deer or elk to date.

CWD results can be found here:

<http://azgfdeservices.com/cwdlogin.aspx>

Keep CWD out of Arizona

To protect Arizona's deer and elk herds from Chronic Wasting Disease, new regulations have been placed on movement of animal parts into the state.

Hunters are required to take these precautions when hunting deer or elk out-of-state (effective July 1, 2013):

- Do not bring the brain, intact skull, or spinal column into Arizona.

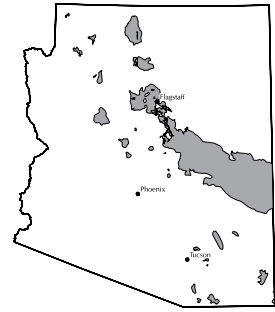
The following elk or deer parts harvested out-of-state are OK to bring back into Arizona:

- Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged;

- Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached;
- Antlers, clean skull plates or skulls with antlers attached with no meat or soft tissue remaining;
- Finished taxidermy mounts or products; and
- Upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivoryries) with no meat or tissue attached.

CWD is present in the neighboring states of Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico, as well as many other popular hunting destinations for deer and elk. Some states have strict regulations governing carcass movement, so we encourage you to contact the wildlife agency where you travel for any applicable regulations.

Turkey Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on turkeys, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. EXCEPT for Archery-Only turkey where a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216. Centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles and handguns are no longer legal methods of take.
Bag Limit	One (1) turkey per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

To hunt turkey in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a turkey tag. To hunt turkey during a Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. For Youth-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a Department office or license dealer.

*The Department offers "Youth-Only" designated hunts, in which persons are eligible to participate up to their 18th birthday. A youth hunter, whose 18th birthday occurs after opening day of a "Youth-Only" designated hunt for which the hunter has a valid permit or tag, may continue to participate for the duration of the "Youth-Only" designated hunt. Provided that persons between the ages of 10 and 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. **Youth hunt permit-tag fees are NOT valid when applying for the standard Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Spring Turkey hunts. Youth applying for these hunts must pay the resident or non-resident fees.***

Turkey: Commission Order 5

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TURKEY

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
4000	BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 19 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
4501	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		1	Any turkey	300
4502	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		3C	Any turkey	125
4503	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		4A and 4B	Any turkey	400
4504	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		5A	Any turkey	250
4505	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015	(4)	5B South	Any turkey	200
4506	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		6A	Any turkey	575
4507	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015	(1,6)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any turkey	200
4508	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		7	Any turkey	250
4509	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		8 and 10	Any turkey	500
4510	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		9	Any turkey	75
4511	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		12A	Any turkey	1000
4512	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		22	Any turkey	175
4513	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		23	Any turkey	650
4514	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		27	Any turkey	350
Total					5050

Turkey: Commission Order 5 (continued)

YOUTH-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED (LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT) TURKEY

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015		1, 4A, 4B, 6A, 12A, 23, and 27	Any turkey

ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED TURKEY

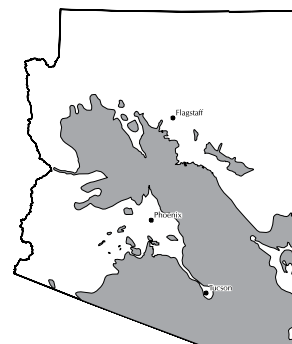
Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,5,6,7)	1, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 12A, 20A, 22, 23, and 27	Any turkey
Aug 28 - Sep 10, 2015	(1)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any turkey

Turkey Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to turkey hunting only to properly licensed hunters who meet the qualifications as "Authorized Participants" according to the installation hunting policies outlined on the Camp Navajo website. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Hunters must agree to the Camp Navajo hunting policies during the required registration at <https://dema.az.gov/camp-navajo/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. After registering, hunters will gain access to the hunt numbers required when submitting the application. All hunters are required to show proof of attendance to a hunter safety education course during paperwork submission for the Camp Navajo permit. Increases in Force Protection Conditions, training missions and industrial operations may result in partial or complete hunt cancellation at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. 5B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located north of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
3. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
4. 5B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located south of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
5. The turkey hunting season in Unit 11M is closed within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building within the Flagstaff corporate limits.
6. Rogers Lake Coconino County Natural Area in Unit 6B is open to turkey hunting; this area is closed to all vehicle access and is closed to motorized big game retrieval. Hunting is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any occupied building, wildlife viewing platform, picnic area, or developed trailhead.
7. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 20A within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to turkey hunting during this season: beginning at the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer; west on Central Ave to Miami St; south on Miami St to Main St; west on Main St to First St; south on First St to Fair Mist Ave; east on Fair Mist Ave to Jefferson St; south-west on Jefferson St which becomes Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177); continue south and west on Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177) to Senator Hwy (FR 52); north and west on Senator Hwy (FR 52) to Wolf Creek Rd; west on Wolf Creek to Indian Creek Rd; north on Indian Creek Rd to Hwy 89; south on Hwy 89 to the Copper Creek Rd (FR 53); north on FR 53 to Copper Basin Rd; west on Copper Basin Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); north and east on Iron Springs Rd to Miller Valley Rd; south on Miller Valley Rd to Grove Ave; south on Grove Ave to Gurley St; east on Gurley St to Hwy 69; east and south on Hwy 69 to the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer.

Javelina Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on javelina, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. EXCEPT for Archery-Only turkey where a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt and Youth-Only Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. HAM: Handguns, muzzleloading rifles, muzzleloading handguns, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-318. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
Bag Limit	Two (2) javelina per calendar year (except as prescribed in R12-4-120) with no more than one (1) javelina taken per open area as defined in each hunt number. The bag limit may be filled in any combination of permit-tag (draw tag or first-come left over draw tag as long as differing hunt numbers) or nonpermit-tag (over-the-counter tag) hunts as prescribed in R12-4-114. No more than one (1) permit-tag shall be issued per hunter through the initial draw.

To hunt javelina in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a javelina tag. To hunt javelina in General, Youth-Only, HAM and Archery-Only seasons, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw. To hunt javelina in an Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag season, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

The Department offers "Youth-Only" designated hunts, in which persons are eligible to participate up to their 18th birthday. A youth hunter, whose 18th birthday occurs after opening day of a "Youth-Only" designated hunt for which the hunter has a valid permit or tag, may continue to participate for the duration of the "Youth-Only" designated hunt. Provided that persons between the ages of 10 and 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona.

Javelina: Commission Order 6

YOUTH-ONLY JAVELINA

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5000	BONUS POINT ONLY				
5501	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(2,13,15)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	30
5502	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2015	(13,16,17,18,19)	17B, 19A, 19B, 20A	Any javelina	200
5503	Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(13)	18B	Any javelina	75
5504	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(2,5,7,10,13)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any javelina	100
5505	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(10,13)	33	Any javelina	75
5506	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(1,4,10,13)	34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), and 35B	Any javelina	50
5507	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(1,4,10,13)	34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), and 35B	Any javelina	50

Javelina: Commission Order 6 (continued)

YOUTH-ONLY JAVELINA

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5508	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(3,6,9,10,12,14)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100
5509	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(3,6,9,10,12,14)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100
Total					780

ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED JAVELINA

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(3,20,21)	1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 7, and 9	Any javelina

Javelina Notes:

- The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to javelina hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates, and special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html, (520) 533-7083 or dis-enrd@conus.army.mil.
- The Buenos Aires Refuge is open to javelina hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
- Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
- The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at (602) 267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
- The Legal Method of Take for Arlington, Base and Meridian, Power's Butte, and Robbin's Butte Wildlife Areas is restricted by R12-4-802. The use of centerfire rifles is prohibited.
- The following described area in the Town of Eloy in Units 26M and 37A is closed to hunting: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
- The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
- The following described area in Unit 36B is closed to hunting: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
- The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.

Javelina Hunts

Javelina Notes:

13. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries are closed to javelina hunting during the general, youth-only, HAM, and muzzleloader seasons. These areas will be open statewide during the archery only season structure.
14. The following City of Tucson water Properties located in Avra Valley are open to hunting via foot access only: the Duval property in Unit 36C and the Buckelew property in Unit 37A; all other Tucson water properties are closed to hunting.
15. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 16A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: that portion of Unit 16A in Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Section 28 (Pine Lakes Community is within this area).
16. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 17B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10) and Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5) west on Iron Springs Rd to Contreras Rd; north and west on Contreras Rd to Tonto Rd (FR 102); north on FR 102 to Fair Oaks Rd; east on Fair Oaks Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (FR 6); south on Williamson Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd.
17. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; north on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 89A; east on Hwy 89A to Glassford Hill Rd; south on Glassford Hill Rd to AZ Hwy 69; west and south on AZ Hwy 69 to AZ Hwy 89.
18. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 (Gurley St) ; west on Gurley St to Grove Ave; north on Grove Ave to Miller Valley Rd; northwest on Miller Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); northwest on Iron Springs Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); north on Williamson Valley Rd to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks; north and east along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks to Hwy 89; south on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 69.
19. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 20A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: beginning at the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer; west on Central Ave to Miami St; south on Miami St to Main St; west on Main St to First St; south on First St to Fair Mist Ave; east on Fair Mist Ave to Jefferson St; southwest on Jefferson St which becomes Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177); continue south and west on Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177) to Senator Hwy (FR 52); north and west on Senator Hwy (FR 52) to Wolf Creek Rd; west on Wolf Creek Rd to Indian Creek Rd; north on Indian Creek Rd to Hwy 89; south on Hwy 89 to the Copper Creek Rd (FR 53); north on FR 53 to Copper Basin Rd; west on Copper Basin Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); north and east on Iron Springs Rd to Miller Valley Rd; south on Miller Valley Rd to Grove Ave; south on Grove Ave to Gurley St; east on Gurley St to Hwy 69; east and south on Hwy 69 to the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer.
20. In the northern portion of Unit 5A, access is permitted on the Clear Creek Ranch by written permission only by contacting the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program via e-mail at hophunts@hopi.nsn.us or by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605 from Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Please contact in advance to gain access for hunting and scouting. In Unit 5B North, access is permitted on the Hopi's Hart/Drye Ranch and in Unit 4A on the Hopi's Aja Ranch by signing in at designated sign-in boxes located at access points.
21. Hopi Trust Lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B - The Hopi Tribe Wildlife & Ecosystems Management Program requires all AZGFD State Certified/ Licensed Outfitters and Guides who conduct business (guide, pre-scout, or request access on behalf of their clients) on the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B North to contact the Chief Revenue Officer at the Office of Revenue Commission at 928-734-3172 to obtain an annual Hopi Tribal Business License. Upon approval of a Hopi Tribal Business License, access to the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches may be obtained via email at hophunts@hopi.nsn.us or by calling 928-734-3605 or 928-734-3606 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (MST).



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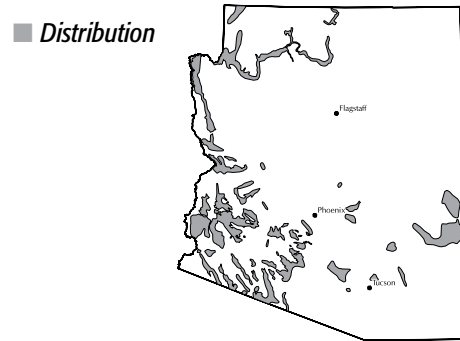
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Bighorn Sheep Hunts



For further information on bighorn sheep, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.
Legal Animal Definition	Ram means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs, as defined in R12-4-101.
Bag Limit	One (1) desert bighorn sheep in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120. One (1) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

To hunt bighorn sheep in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bighorn sheep tag. To hunt bighorn sheep in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.

Hunts with Note 10 or 13 may have low density bighorn populations. Hunters should expect a difficult hunt with limited access into the better bighorn habitat.

Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7

GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
6000	BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 19 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
DESERT					
6001	Oct 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,10,17,26)	9 and 10	Any ram	1
6002	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,7,10,13,17)	12A and 12B West	Any ram	1
6003	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,8,11,17)	12B East	Any ram	4
6004	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,10,13,17)	13A	Any ram	1
6005	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,11,17)	13B (north of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	3
6006	Nov 16 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,10,13,17)	13B (south of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	1
6007	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	15B (west of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	3
6008	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	15C (north of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	3
6009	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,10,11,17)	15C (south of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	2
6010	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17,18)	15D North	Any ram	8
6011	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,11,17,19)	15D South	Any ram	4
6012	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,11,17)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any ram	3
6013	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,17)	16B	Any ram	1
6014	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	18B	Any ram	1
6015	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	22	Any ram	4
6017	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	24B North (north and west of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	1
6018	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	24B South (south and east of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	2
6019	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	28 (south of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	1
6020	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,12,15,17)	31 and 32	Any ram	2
6021	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,15,17,25)	37A	Any ram	2

Bighorn Sheep Hunts

Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7

GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
6022	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	37B	Any ram	1
6023	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,17)	39 (east of AZ Hwy 85)	Any ram	1
6024	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	39 (west of Old AZ Hwy 80)	Any ram	2
6025	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,3,6,11,17,23)	40A (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2
6026	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,3,11,17,23)	40B Gila Mtns (north of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2
6027	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,3,11,17,23)	40B Mohawk and Copper Mtns (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	3
6028	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,3,17,23)	40B Tinajas Altas Mtns (south of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	1
6029	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	41 East - (east of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and that portion north of the El Paso Gas pipeline and east of the AT&T Frontage Rd)	Any ram	1
6030	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,4,17)	41 West - (west of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and that portion north of the El Paso Gas pipeline and west of the AT&T Frontage Rd) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	1
6031	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17)	42 and 44A (south of U.S. Hwy 60)	Any ram	2
6032	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,4,16,17)	43A (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	1
6033	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,4,11,17)	43B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	7
6034	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	44A East (Granite Wash Mtns, Harcuvar Mtns, and Black Mtns north of U.S. Hwy 60)	Any ram	1
6035	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,17)	44A West (west of Swansea Rd. and south of Bill Williams River Rd.)	Any ram	1
6036	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,16,17)	44B (north of I-10)	Any ram	4
6037	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,11,16,17)	44B (south of I-10 and that portion of 45A and 45B north of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	2
6038	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,11,17)	45A (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	3
6039	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,11,17)	45B (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	2
6040	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,17)	45C (Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	1
ROCKY MOUNTAIN					
6051	Nov 1 - Nov 30, 2015	(1,22)	Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27	Any ram	1
6052	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,17,21)	6A and 22 North	Any ram	4
6053	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,17)	23 and 24A	Any ram	1
6054	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11,13,14)	Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	2
6055	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,9,11)	Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	5
6056	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,11)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	5
The following hunts are extremely challenging areas with difficult access. Be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking. There is little to no vehicular access to much of the sheep habitat within these hunts.					
DESERT					
6016	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,10,20)	Superstition Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 24B	Any ram	1
6041	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,3,5,11,17,23)	46A East (east of Growler Wash) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 3 and 5)	Any ram	2
6042	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,3,5,11,17,23,24)	46A West (west of Growler Wash) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 3 and 5)	Any ram	2
6043	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,3,5,11,17,23,24)	46B East (that portion of 46B east of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and including the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 3 and 5)	Any ram	4
6044	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,3,5,11,17,23)	46B West (that portion of 46B west of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and west of the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 3 and 5)	Any ram	4
Total					117

Bighorn Sheep Notes:

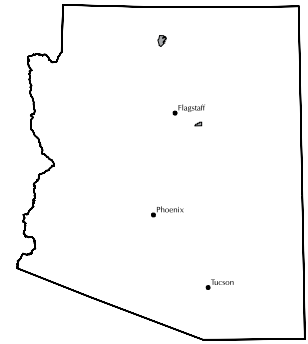
- All bighorn sheep hunter (or their designee) must check out within 3 days following the close of the season at any Department office in accordance with R12-4-308. Unsuccessful hunters and those who did not hunt must also check out either in person or by telephone at any Department office.
- The Bill Williams River, Cabeza Prieta, Havasu, Imperial and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to bighorn sheep hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the appropriate land management agency for hunting access to Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and some adjacent areas. The BMGR is closed to hunting except open public recreational use areas, as allowed by an authorized entry permit. For specifics about accessing the BMGR refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to big horn sheep hunting except those ar-

eas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Program Access Permit and coordinating with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must obtain a hunting access permit before entering YPG. Access permits are issued at the YPG Visitor Center located at building 2020 at the Wahner E. Brooks Exhibit Park off Imperial Dam Road. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm. Hunting access permit applicants must sign a

Bighorn Sheep Notes continued:

- Hold Harmless Agreement, receive a Range Safety Briefing, and undergo an NCIC background check. Furthermore, all firearms must be registered at the visitor center prior to entering YPG. Do not bring the firearms into the visitor center. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be closed. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 307, Attn: Hunting Program, 307 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498; email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.mbx.hunting@mail.mil; call (928) 328-2125; or visit <http://www.yuma.army.mil/Visiting/HuntingatYPG.aspx>.
5. Due to travel restrictions in the Wilderness Area, those persons interested in hunting bighorn sheep on the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge should contact the Refuge Manager (520) 387-6483 for information regarding special refuge regulations prior to applying.
 6. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
 7. 12B West Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying west of BLM road 1065 and north of U.S. Hwy 89A from the BLM 1065/ U.S.Hwy 89A junction west to the Kaibab National Forest boundary.
 8. 12B East Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying east of BLM road 1065 and north of the segment of U.S. Hwy 89A between the Kaibab National Forest Boundary easterly to Navajo Bridge.
 9. Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Highway 180 and the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to Forest Trail 41; northwest along Forest Trail 41 to the Little Blue River; south-southwest along the Little Blue River to the confluence of the Blue River; north along the Blue River to Forest Trail 14; west on Forest Trail 14 to U.S. Highway 191; north on U.S. Highway 191 to U.S. Highway 180; east on U.S. Highway 180 to the New Mexico state line.
 10. This unit has a low density bighorn sheep population in a remote area with difficult access. Hunters should be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking in an extremely remote, harsh hunting environment.
 11. Non-residents: Permits are available within these hunt numbers for which you may be drawn in accordance with R12-4-114(E).
 12. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or <https://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm>.
 13. This hunt unit is remote, with limited road (or no road) access and difficult terrain. Hunt success has averaged less than 70%. Hunters should be prepared for back country camping and extensive, strenuous hiking, or the use of horses and/or mules.
 14. Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 78; west on U.S. Hwy 78 to FR road 212; northwest on FR road 212 to the San Francisco River; southwest along the San Francisco River to Sardine Canyon; west along Sardine Canyon to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 14 (AD Bar Trail); east on Forest Trail 14 to Blue River; south along the Blue River to the confluence of the Little Blue River; northeast along the Little Blue River to Forest Trail 41; east on Forest Trail 41 to the Arizona-New Mexico state line; south along the state line to U.S. Hwy 78.
 15. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
 16. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
 17. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries are closed to bighorn sheep hunting during this hunt.
 18. 15D North Hunt Area -That portion of Unit 15D north of the following: beginning at the junction of Interstate 40 and AZ Hwy 66 (Oatman Hwy); southwesterly along AZ Hwy 66 to Mohave County Road 153 (Boundary Cone Rd-Oatman Rd); west along Mohave County Road 153 to the Colorado River.
 19. 15D South Hunt Area - That portion of Unit 15D south of the following: beginning at the junction of Interstate 40 and AZ Hwy 66 (Oatman Hwy); southwesterly along AZ Hwy 66 to Mohave County Road 153 (Boundary Cone Rd-Oatman Rd); west along Mohave County Road 153 to the Colorado River.
 20. Superstition Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 24B - That portion of Unit 24B within the boundaries of the Superstition Wilderness Area. This Hunt Area is remote, with no road or vehicle access within the Wilderness Area. Hunters should be prepared for extensive, strenuous hiking in difficult terrain. The use of horses or mules is encouraged.
 21. 22 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the East Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to AZ Hwy 260 in Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to Tonto Creek (the Unit Boundary).
 22. Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27 - That portion of Units 1 and 27 beginning at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary and FR 82; east on FR 82 to FR 25; east on FR 25 to FR 24 (Buffalo Crossing); north on FR 24 to FR 249E; east on FR 249E to FR 249; east on FR 249 to FR 406; east on FR 406 to FR 276; south on FR 276 to FR 37; south on FR 37 to FR 405; south on FR 405 to FR 24; south on FR 24 to FR 25; northwest on FR 25 to FR 25D; west on FR 25D to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary to FR 82.
 23. This unit experiences high levels of activity associated with the Mexican border, which is a potential safety and property loss concern. Hunters should be aware of the added challenge this poses, and be prepared to make informed decisions on camping areas and safety in the field. Prior coordination with appropriate land management and enforcement agencies is recommended.
 24. Units 46A and 46B are primarily composed of designated wilderness and contain only three public access roads - El Camino del Diablo, Christmas Pass Rd, and Charlie Bell Rd. There is no vehicular access to much of the sheep habitat within these units (especially in Units 46A West and 46B East, where some mountain ranges are 6-12 miles from the nearest road). Hunters should be prepared for extensive hiking and backcountry camping in extremely remote, desert conditions. Pack and saddle animals may be used by obtaining a special permit from the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge.
 25. The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
 26. Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch in Unit 10 has implemented new Ranch Rules and a mandatory permitting process which includes an impact fee for all hunting activities within the ranch boundaries. The Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch encompasses the entire western half of the Unit 10, approximately 720,000 acres. If planning to hunt the Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch portion of Unit 10, hunters are advised to visit the Ranch's website: www.HuntBigBoRanch.com.

Buffalo Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on buffalo, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	Bow and arrow, crossbow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Note that bow and arrow, crossbow, or centerfire handguns may NOT be used at Raymond Wildlife Area.
Bag Limit	One (1) buffalo in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

To hunt buffalo in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a buffalo tag. To hunt buffalo in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.

Buffalo meat taken under this Order may be sold as prescribed in R12-4-305. SEE BUFFALO HUNT REGULATIONS UNDER R12-4-306. See page 128.

HOUSE ROCK BUFFALO HUNT SPECIAL NOTE: During the House Rock herd hunts, a significant portion of the herd has moved to the Grand Canyon National Park where hunting is not allowed. Hunters are advised that their ability to successfully harvest a buffalo may be significantly impacted. As with any hunt, circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from being successful. The Arizona Game and Fish Department and Commission disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points, to refund any fees, or to provide any other form of relief. The House Rock buffalo hunt is considered to be one of the most difficult hunts in the state. Buffalo can be difficult to locate. Plan on spending the entire season hunting, as an abbreviated hunt will lower your chances of success. Buffalo hunters must dress and care for their own animals; the Department will not assist. Take time to improve your physical condition. Hunters are often required to walk considerable distances (up to 8 miles) every day over rugged terrain. House Rock hunters should be prepared for remote and primitive conditions. High clearance or four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended. Some portions of House Rock herd area are included in the U.S. Forest Service wilderness system that does not preclude hunter access but does limit their means of transportation and equipment usage. Hunts occurring later in the fall may be affected by snow making access more difficult. Hunters should be prepared for severe winter conditions and low availability of buffalo. For more information, call the Flagstaff Regional Office at 928-774-5045.

Hunter Clinic: A free House Rock buffalo hunter clinic will be held at the Arizona Game and Fish Department on August 8, 2015 in the Eagle room at 5000 W. Carefree Highway from 10 AM – 1 PM for all successfully drawn fall House Rock buffalo hunters. See page 103 for more information.

Buffalo: Commission Order 8

GENERAL BUFFALO

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7000	BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 19 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
7001	Sep 25 - Oct 8, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7002	Oct 9 - Oct 22, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2

Buffalo: Commission Order 8 (continued)

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (GENERAL) BUFFALO

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7003	Oct 23 - Nov 5, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7004	Sep 25 - Oct 8, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
7005	Oct 9 - Oct 22, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
7006	Oct 23 - Nov 5, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
7007	Nov 6 - Nov 19, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	10
7008	Nov 20 - Dec 31, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	10
7009	Sep 11 - Dec 3, 2015	(2,3,4)	12A East (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7010	Sep 11 - Dec 3, 2015	(2,3,4)	12A East (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
Total					60

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (MUZZLELOADER) BUFFALO

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7011	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7012	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
Total					10

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (ARCHERY-ONLY) BUFFALO

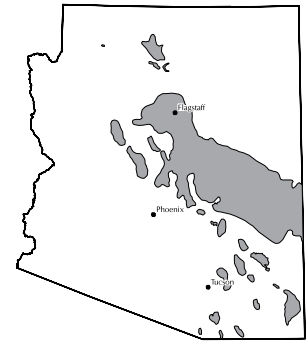
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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7013	Aug 14 - Aug 27, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7014	Aug 28 - Sep 10, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Any buffalo	2
7015	Aug 14 - Aug 27, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
7016	Aug 28 - Sep 10, 2015	(2,3)	12A (excluding House Rock Wildlife Area), 12B, and 13A (House Rock Herd)	Cow buffalo only	8
Total					20

Buffalo Notes:

1. A hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the Raymond herd shall be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who shall designate the animal to be harvested and shall hunt in the order scheduled by the Department in accordance with R12-4-306. Hunters that desire a more challenging hunt should apply for the House Rock hunts.
2. An unsuccessful hunter, or hunter who did not hunt, with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the House Rock herd shall check out in person or by telephone at either the Department's Flagstaff regional office (928-774-5045) or the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters within three days following the close of the season. A successful buffalo hunter shall report information about the kill to the Department within three business days after taking the buffalo either in person at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters or in person or by telephone at the Department's Flagstaff regional office. If the kill is reported by telephone, the report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's tag number, the sex of the buffalo taken, the number of days hunted, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information (R12-4-306).
3. Successful applicants will be contacted in writing by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to provide them with additional information regarding their hunt.
4. 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.

Bear Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on bears, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
Bag Limit	One (1) bear per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

To hunt bear in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bear tag. To hunt bear in any season, except spring bear seasons, you must obtain a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer.

BEAR SPECIAL REGULATIONS: As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) within 48 hours of taking a bear. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the bear taken, management unit where the bear was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a bear, the hunter (or their designee) shall present the bear's skull and hide with attached proof of sex to a designated Arizona Game and Fish Department employee for inspection (pursuant to R12-4-308). If the skull is frozen, it should be defrosted prior to presenting for inspection as a premolar tooth will be removed from the bear. If the hide is frozen, ensure that the attached proof of sex is accessible and identifiable. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.

BEAR SPECIAL NOTE: In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a bear taken under A.R.S. 17-302 when the season is closed.

Bear: Commission Order 9

GENERAL BEAR

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	6
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	3C	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Nov 6 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	4A and 5A	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	5B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	7	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	8	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	9	Any bear except sows with cubs	1

Bear Hunts

Bear: Commission Order 9 (continued)

GENERAL BEAR

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	10, 18A, 19B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, and 20B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, and 20B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,8,10,13)	21	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,3,10,13)	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,4,10,11,13)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,4,10,11,13)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,4,10,11,13)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,5,10,13)	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2015	(1,2,6,10,13)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,6,10,13)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,6,10,13)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	24A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	24A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	24B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 2 - Oct 29, 2015	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	12
Oct 30 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	28	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,10,13)	29 and 30A	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,9,10,13)	31	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,2,9,10,12,13)	32	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Total				103

ARCHERY-ONLY BEAR

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10)	3C	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Sep 27, 2015	(1,2,10,14)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 11M	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10,16)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,3,10)	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,5,10)	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(1,2,10)	29 and 30A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(1,2,9,10,12)	32	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(1,2,10)	34A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(1,2,10)	35A and 35B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(1,2,7,10)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any bear except sows with cubs	--
Total				21

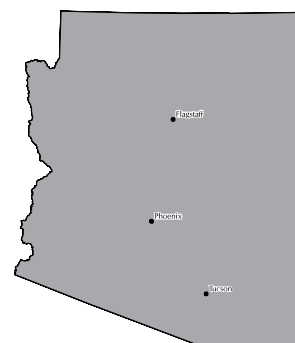
ANNUAL FEMALE HARVEST LIMIT (REFER TO NOTE 10)

Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit
1,2A,2B,2C	13	9	2	24A	9
3B	10	10,18A,19B	3	24B	2
3C	5	17A,17B,18B,20A,20B	8	27	30
4A,5A	8	19A	6	28	2
4B	6	21	8	29,30A	10
5B	3	22N	11	31	9
6A	6	22S	6	32	6
6B	6	23N	15	34A	5
7	4	23S	12	35A (FTHU),35B	7
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Bear Notes:

1. No person shall knowingly use any substance as bait at any time to attract or take bear.
2. When the number of female bears equaling the female harvest limit for a particular hunt has been reported killed, by either hunters, the unit(s) will be closed at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for calling 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) before hunting to determine if their desired hunt unit is still open. The female harvest limit is combined for Unit 35A/35B and Fort Huachuca hunts, and both hunts will close when the female harvest limit is reached for Unit 35A/35B.
3. 22 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the East Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
4. 22 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located south of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the east Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
5. 23 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located north of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
6. 23 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
7. The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to bear hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html, (520) 533-7083, or dis-enrd@conus.army.mil.
8. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
9. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4400 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
10. Annual Female Harvest Limit -- If the Annual Female Harvest Limit for a given unit is met during a calendar year, that unit or portion thereof will close to bear hunting for the current and future bear seasons during that calendar year. The Annual Female Harvest Limit is comprised of any female bear killed by a hunter or the Department. Refer to the table below for the Annual Female Harvest Limit by unit.
11. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of bear during open season.
12. The following Pima County park or preserves is open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Unit 32 Hunting in County Parks or Preserves is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
13. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries are closed to bear hunting during this hunt.
14. Rogers Lake Coconino County Natural Area in Unit 6B is open to bear hunting; this area is closed to all vehicle access and is closed to motorized big game retrieval. Hunting is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any occupied building, wildlife viewing platform, picnic area, or developed trailhead.
15. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 17B within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to bear hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10) and Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); west on Iron Springs Rd to Contreras Rd; north and west on Contreras Rd to Tonto Rd (FR 102); north on FR 102 to Fair Oaks Rd; east on Fair Oaks Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (FR 6); south on Williamson Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd.
16. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19A within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to bear hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; north on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 89A; east on Hwy 89A to Glassford Hill Rd; south on Glassford Hill Rd to AZ Hwy 69; west and south on AZ Hwy 69 to AZ Hwy 89.
17. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19B within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to bear hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 (Gurley St); west on Gurley St to Grove Ave; north on Grove Ave to Miller Valley Rd; northwest on Miller Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); northwest on Iron Springs Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); north on Williamson Valley Rd to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks; north and east along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks to Hwy 89; south on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 69.
18. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 20A within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to bear hunting during this season: beginning at the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer; west on Central Ave to Miami St; south on Miami St to Main St; west on Main St to First St; south on First St to Fair Mist Ave; east on Fair Mist Ave to Jefferson St; southwest on Jefferson St which becomes Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177); continue south and west on Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177) to Senator Hwy (FR 52); north and west on Senator Hwy (FR 52) to Wolf Creek Rd; west on Wolf Creek to Indian Creek Rd; north on Indian Creek Rd to Hwy 89; south on Hwy 89 to the Copper Creek Rd (FR 53); north on FR 53 to Copper Basin Rd; west on Copper Basin Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); north and east on Iron Springs Rd to Miller Valley Rd; south on Miller Valley Rd to Grove Ave; south on Grove Ave to Gurley St; east on Gurley St to Hwy 69; east and south on Hwy 69 to the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer.

Mountain Lion Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on mountain lions, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	A hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed under R12-4-216.
Bag Limit	One (1) mountain lion per calendar year statewide except in units with a multiple bag limit and Units 39, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B. In units with a multiple bag limit, hunters may take one (1) mountain lion per day until the multiple bag limit is reached. Once the multiple bag limit has been reached, the season will remain open and revert to calendar year bag limit of one (1) mountain lion. Mountain lions taken under the one (1) per day multiple bag limit do not apply towards the calendar year bag limit until the multiple bag limit is reached. In Units 39, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B, the annual bag limit is three (3). Mountain lions taken under the annual bag limit of three (3) do not apply towards the calendar year bag limit.
Definition	Daylong means the 24-hour period between midnight and midnight.
<i>To hunt mountain lion in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a mountain lion tag. To hunt mountain lion in any season, you must obtain a hunt nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.</i>	
MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL REGULATIONS: As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-877-438-0447 within 48 hours of taking a lion. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the lion taken, management unit where the lion was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a lion, the hunter (or their designee) shall present the lion's skull and hide with attached proof of sex to a designated Arizona Game and Fish Department employee for inspection (pursuant to R12-4-308). If the skull is frozen, it should be defrosted prior to presenting for inspection as a premolar tooth will be removed from the lion. If the hide is frozen, ensure that the attached proof of sex is accessible and identifiable. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.	
<i>Hunters may encounter mountain lions wearing radio collars around Flagstaff, Prescott, Payson, Tucson, and western Maricopa County. The lions instrumented with these collars are part of several ongoing research projects. The collars are used to track lion movements as researchers try to learn how the lions use various habitat types and urban interface areas. The longevity of these lions is important to the ongoing research, and data collected will help to improve Arizona's management of lions in the future. If you would like more information about any of these research efforts please contact the Arizona Game and Fish Department Research Branch at (623) 236-7247. Also, if one of these animals is harvested, the hunter is asked to return the collar, as well as any other marking device, such as an ear tag, to a Department office or officer when doing the required physical check-in of the carcass parts.</i>	
MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL NOTE: In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a lion taken under A.R.S. 17-302 when the season is closed.	

Mountain Lion Hunts

Mountain Lion: Commission Order 10

GENERAL (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) MOUNTAIN LION

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,5,10,11,12,19, 20,21,22,25,26,30 32,33,34,35,36,37)	Statewide (except National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, 39, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B, and Pusch Ridge Hunt Area in Unit 33 and any hunt listed below in Commission Order 10 with a multiple bag limit)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	_____
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,8)	Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,15)	Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	8
Total				18

GENERAL (DAYLONG SHOOTING HOURS) MOUNTAIN LION

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,25,27)	15B (west of Temple Bar Rd), 15C, and 15D	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,25,27,38)	16A North	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	15
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,14,25,27)	16A South and 18B South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	15
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,25,27)	21	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	12
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,25,27)	28 (South of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	8
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2,11,25,27)	37B (North of the Gila River)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	4
Total				64

GENERAL (BAG LIMIT OF 3 WITH DAYLONG SHOOTING HOURS) MOUNTAIN LION

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(3,5,10,23,25,27)	39, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

RESTRICTED (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) MOUNTAIN LION (use of dogs is prohibited per R12-4-318.C4)

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(20,25,31)	Pusch Ridge Hunt Area in Unit 33	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

ARCHERY-ONLY MOUNTAIN LION

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(4,6,7,17,18,19, 24,25,28)	11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

Mountain Lion Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open for mountain lion hunting only to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Camp Navajo hunting permit. A hunter education course is required. For more information on Camp Navajo hunting opportunities go to <https://dema.az.gov/camp-navajo/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters holding these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. When the number of mountain lions equaling the multiple bag limit for a particular hunt has been reported, that hunt will revert to the statewide bag limit of one (1) lion per calendar year at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for calling 1-877-438-0447 before hunting to determine if the multiple bag limit for their desired hunt unit is still in effect.
3. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to mountain lion hunting except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Program Access Permit and coordinating with YPG Range Control. Access permits are issued at the YPG Visitor Center located at building 2020 at the Wahner E. Brooks Exhibit Park off Imperial Dam Road. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm. Hunting access permit applicants must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement, receive a Range Safety Briefing, and undergo an NCIC background check. Furthermore, all firearms must be registered at the visitor center prior to entering YPG. Do not bring the firearms into the visitor center. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be closed. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 307, Attn: Hunting Program, 307 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498; email: usarmy.ypg@imcom.mbx.hunting@mail.mil; call (928) 328-2125; or visit <http://www.yuma.army.mil/Visiting/Hunting-atYPG.aspx>.
4. Tucson Mountain Park in Unit 38M is open to mountain lion hunting for archery-only. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
5. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
6. A portion of Unit 25M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 25M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
7. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
8. Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 78; west on U.S. Hwy 78 to FR road 212; northwest on FR road 212 to the San Francisco River; southwest along the San Francisco River to Sardine Canyon; west along Sardine Canyon to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 14 (AD Bar Trail); east on Forest Trail 14 to Blue River; south along the Blue River to the confluence of the Little Blue River; northeast along the Little Blue River to Forest Trail 41; east on Forest Trail 41 to the Arizona-New Mexico state line; south along the state line to U.S. Hwy 78.
9. 6A South Hunt Area - That portion of 6A east of I-17 and south of FR 213 (Stoneman Lake Road).
10. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the appropriate land management agency for hunting access to Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and some adjacent areas. The BMGR is closed to hunting except open public recreational use areas, as allowed by an authorized entry permit. For specifics about accessing the BMGR refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
11. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
12. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of mountain lion during open season.
13. Blank.
14. Unit 16A South and 18B South Hunt Area - Those portions of Units 16A and 18B beginning in Wikieup at Chicken Springs Road and U.S. Hwy 93; north on U.S. Hwy 93 for 2.2 miles to Pump Station Road; east on Pump Station Road for 0.9 miles to Back Road; north on Back Road for 1.8 miles to Boner Canyon Road (unmarked); northeast on Boner Canyon Road to Bogles Ranch Road near SV Ranch headquarters (stay right at each road fork); south on Bogles Ranch Road for 3.5 miles to Black Canyon drainage; northeast in Black Canyon drainage to Francis Creek; southeast along Francis Creek to Burro Creek; northeast along Burro Creek to Conger Creek; southeast along Conger Creek to Conger Springhead; south on access road to Bozarth Mesa Road; east on Bozarth Mesa Road to Camp Wood (Yolo) Road, the Unit 17B-18B boundary; southwest on Camp Wood Road to AZ Hwy 96 in Baghdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along Santa Maria River to Alamo Lake; westerly along the north shore of Alamo Lake to Alamo Road; northwest on Alamo Road to Chicken Springs Road; southeast on Chicken Springs Road to U.S. Hwy 93.
15. Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Highway 180 and the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to Forest Trail 41; northwest along Forest Trail 41 to the Little Blue River; south-southwest along the Little Blue River to the confluence of the Blue River; north along the Blue River to Forest Trail 14; west on Forest Trail 14 to U.S. Highway 191; north on U.S. Highway 191 to U.S. Highway 180; east on U.S. Highway 180 to the New Mexico state line.
16. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
17. Within Unit 25M as described in R12-4-108, all incorporated lands, including private property within municipal boundaries, are closed to hunting unless opened under Commission Order. Incorporated includes all municipal and corporate limits. County islands are open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within 1/4 mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
18. The following described area in the City of Maricopa in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
19. The following described area in the Town of Eloy in Units 26M and 37A is closed to hunting: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
20. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98

Mountain Lion Notes continued:

- Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochie Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
21. The following described area in Unit 36B is closed to hunting: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
 22. The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
 23. The following described area in the Town of Quartzsite in Units 43A and 44B is closed to hunting: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
 24. The following parks and preserves in Maricopa County are open to hunting for archery-only: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Park and McDowell Sonoran Preserve. Hunting in parks and preserves opened by this Commission Order is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
 25. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries (except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 27, 37A and 39 west of AZ Hwy 85) are closed to mountain lion hunting during this hunt.
 26. The area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochie Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
 27. In units listed with this note, mountain lions may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle. Per R12-4-304, an individual shall not use or possess any electronic night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light-gathering devices, thermal imaging devices or laser sights while taking wildlife: except for devices such as laser range finders, scopes with self-illuminating reticles, and fiber optic sights with self-illuminating sights or pins that do not project a visible light onto an animal.
 28. Those portions of Units 11M, 25M, and 26M within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building within municipal or corporate limits are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season.
 29. Rogers Lake Coconino County Natural Area in Unit 6B is open to mountain lion hunting; this area is closed to all vehicle access and is closed to motorized big game retrieval. Hunting is not permitted within ¼ mile of any occupied building, wildlife viewing platform, picnic area, or developed trailhead.
 30. The following City of Tucson water Properties located in Avra Valley are open to hunting via foot access only: the Duval property in Unit 36C and the Buckelew property in Unit 37A; all other Tucson water properties are closed to hunting.
 31. The Pusch Ridge Hunt Area in Unit 33 is closed to hunting with the aid of dogs. Pusch Ridge Hunt Area in Unit 33 - That portion of Unit 33 beginning at the junction of Forest Trail 98 (Ventana Trail) within Ventana Canyon and the Pusch Ridge Wilderness boundary; westerly then northerly along the Pusch Ridge Wilderness boundary to Forest Trail 6 (Sutherland Trail) at Cargodera Canyon; easterly along Forest Trail 6 (Sutherland Trail) following the Pusch Ridge Wilderness Boundary to Forest Trail 5 (Mt Lemon Trail); southwesterly along Forest Trail 5 (Mt Lemon Trail) to Forest Trail 24 (West Fork Sabino Trail); southeasterly along Forest Trail 24 (West Fork Sabino Trail) to Forest Trail 26 (Cathedral Rock Trail); southwesterly along Forest Trail 26 (Cathedral Rock Trail) to Forest Trail 25 (Esperero Trail); west along Forest Trail 25 (Esperero Trail) to Forest Trail 98 (Ventana Trail) at Ventana Canyon; southeasterly along Forest Trail 98 (Ventana Trail) to the Pusch Ridge Wilderness Boundary.
 32. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 15B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of West Tennessee Ave and Tennessee Ave; east on Tennessee Ave to Patterson Lane; south and west on Patterson Lane to Tennessee Wash; northeast along Tennessee Wash to Tennessee Ave; west on Tennessee Ave to 6th St; north on 6th St to Emerson Ave; west on Emerson Ave to 4th St; north and west on 4th St to West Tennessee Ave; south on West Tennessee Ave to Tennessee Ave.
 33. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 16A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: that portion of Unit 16A in Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Section 28 (Pine Lakes Community is within this area).
 34. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 17B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10) and Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); west on Iron Springs Rd to Contreras Rd; north and west on Contreras Rd to Tonto Rd (FR 102); north on FR 102 to Fair Oaks Rd; east on Fair Oaks Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (FR 6); south on Williamson Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd.
 35. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; north on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 89A; east on Hwy 89A to Glassford Hill Rd; south on Glassford Hill Rd to AZ Hwy 69; west and south on AZ Hwy 69 to AZ Hwy 89.
 36. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 19B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 (Gurley St); west on Gurley St to Grove Ave; north on Grove Ave to Miller Valley Rd; northwest on Miller Valley Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); northwest on Iron Springs Rd to Williamson Valley Rd (County Rd 5); north on Williamson Valley Rd to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks; north and east along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks to Hwy 89; south on AZ Hwy 89 to AZ Hwy 69.
 37. Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 20A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to mountain lion hunting during this season: beginning at the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer; west on Central Ave to Miami St; south on Miami St to Main St; west on Main St to First St; south on First St to Fair Mist Ave; east on Fair Mist Ave to Jefferson St; southwest on Jefferson St which becomes Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177); continue south and west on Goodwin Rd (County Rd 177) to Senator Hwy (FR 52); north and west on Senator Hwy (FR 52) to Wolf Creek Rd; west on Wolf Creek to Indian Creek Rd; north on Indian Creek Rd to Hwy 89; south on Hwy 89 to the Copper Creek Rd (FR 53); north on FR 53 to Copper Basin Rd; west on Copper Basin Rd to Iron Springs Rd (County Rd 10); north and east on Iron Springs Rd to Miller Valley Rd; south on Miller Valley Rd to Grove Ave; south on Grove Ave to Gurley St; east on Gurley St to Hwy 69; east and south on Hwy 69 to the eastern junction of Hwy 69 and Central Ave in Mayer.
 38. 16A North - That portion of Unit 16A beginning in Kingman at Exit 48 on I-40; south and west on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 95 (exit 9); southerly on U. S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; easterly along the Bill Williams River to Alamo Lake; easterly along the north shore of Alamo Lake to Alamo Road; northwest on Alamo Road to Chicken Springs Road; northeast on Chicken Springs Road to U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 to Kingman (exit 48).

Population Management Hunts

Beginning in 2003-2004, the Arizona Game and Fish Department established Population Management Hunts and the Hunter Pool. AZGFD Wildlife Managers have found that previous hunt strategies designed to manage some wildlife populations are not meeting objectives. When regular hunt seasons don't meet management objectives, conflicts between wildlife and other uses of the land can occur. Population management hunts are designed to allow the Department to achieve supplemental harvests of wildlife when traditional harvest strategies have not met their objectives. Population management hunts will enhance the Department's ability to meet population and habitat management objectives.

The following information is important to know if you are planning on applying for a population management hunt.

- Population management hunts may occur as necessary, under the provisions of R12-4-115 (page 120).
- The Population Management Seasons Commission Order 26 approved by the Commission designates the range of species, season dates, open areas, legal wildlife, lawful taking methods, and maximum tag numbers for population management hunts to be prescribed by the Director and implemented under R12-4-115.
- When a population management hunt is found to be necessary, as prescribed in R12-4-115, hunters will be selected from the hunter pool made up of hunter pool applicants (see application below).
- The hunter pool list will be purged by the Department Dec. 31, 2015. You may apply at any time during the year (note: do not include the hunter pool hunt application form with a hunt permit-tag application—you must apply separately. See application below for instructions).
- To complete your application, you must designate the species of animal(s) you desire to hunt and the weapon type(s). You must also submit a \$13 application fee (residents) or a \$15 application fee (non-residents) (note: one application fee per application—not per species). Please do not send cash.
- You may designate more than one species and weapon type on the application form. If you choose to designate more than one species and weapon type on your hunter pool application, your name will be included in the hunter pool for each species and weapon type you designate. This means that you may be eligible to participate in a population management hunt for more than one species or method of take each year (note: annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts and may limit your ability to participate in a population management hunt or regular season hunt).
- If you participate in a population management hunt and fill your annual bag limit for that species, you may not participate in a regular hunting season for that species even if you are drawn through the normal draw process (note: A.R.S. 17-332.E. prohibits the issuing of a refund for the purchase of a license or a permit).
- If your application is selected during a random drawing for a population management hunt, the Department will attempt to contact you three times by telephone within a 24-hour period. If you cannot be contacted within 24 hours, your application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts during that year.
- If you are offered a restricted non-permit tag for a population management hunt, pursuant to R12-4-115, you may decline to participate. If you decline to participate, your application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts during that year (note: if you agree to participate in a population management hunt but fail to purchase your tag within the timeframe designated when you are contacted, you will not be eligible for further population management hunts that year).
- If you elect to participate in a population management hunt, it is probable that you will be asked to arrive in the field to hunt within a few days of being contacted (note: purchase of restricted nonpermit-tag and applicable hunting license prior to hunting is required).
- Restricted non-permit tags issued through the hunter pool may be purchased through the Department's Phoenix office. See the front of the hunting regulations booklet for the address and phone number.
- You will not gain or lose bonus points when you apply for, or participate in, a population management hunt.

Form may be photocopied.

Do not include this form with a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form (See R12-4-115 on page 120)

Have you:

- Filled in all the blanks?
- Enclosed the \$13 (residents) or \$15 (non-residents) application fee?
- Signed your application?
- Indicated your choice of species?

Mail Application and Fee (do not send cash) to:

Arizona Game and Fish Department
Attention: Drawer FAB
5000 W. Carefree Highway
Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000

HUNTER POOL APPLICATION

For Jan. 1, 2015 thru Dec. 31, 2015

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Please provide your hunting license number.
(2 character license prefix required)

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Day Phone No. () _____ - _____ Evening Phone No. () _____ - _____

Choose 1 to 5 Species: ☐ Deer ☐ Elk ☐ Bear ☐ Javelina ☐ Buffalo

Choose 1 to 3 Methods of Take: ☐ Rifle ☐ Ham (Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader) ☐ Archery

Birthdate ____/____/____ ☐ Resident ☐ Non-resident

Please provide your Department ID Number. If you do not have a Department ID Number, one will be provided for you.

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Population Management Hunts

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish and an Apprentice Hunting License (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Refer to page 65.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216. Muzzleloader Hunt: Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304
Bag Limit	Refer to individual species annual bag limits. Annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts.
Definition	A Companion Tag is a restricted nonpermit-tag offered through the Population Management Season structure. Companion Tag hunts mirror another big game animal hunt for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw. Companion Tags are only available to holders of hunt permit-tags for the associated hunt number. Companion Tags can be purchased at any Department office.

Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26

JAVELINA YOUTH-ONLY (COMPANION TAG HUNTS) POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(1,3,7,11,12)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any javelina	150
Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2015	(1,7)	33	Any javelina	150
Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(1,7,11)	36A	Any javelina	175
Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2015	(1,7,11)	36B	Any javelina	125
Total				600

JAVELINA YOUTH-ONLY (COMPANION TAG HUNTS) (MUZZLELOADER) POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Nov 20 - Nov 29, 2015	(1,7,11,14)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any javelina	20
Dec 18 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,7,11,13)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	25
Total				45

Population Management Notes:

- These seasons shall be held in accordance with R12-4-115 and may include shorter time frames, smaller geographic areas, and specification of legal wildlife within that described in this Commission Order.
- Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
- Restricted nonpermit tags for these population management seasons will be available to permit holders in corresponding big game seasons.
- The Buenos Aires Refuge is open to javelina hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4400 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
- Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 16A within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: that portion of Unit 16A in Township 20 North, Range 15 West, Section 28 (Pine Lakes Community is within this area).
- Within the following described area, those portions of Unit 15B within ¼ mile of an occupied residence or building are closed to javelina hunting during this season: beginning at the junction of West Tennessee Ave and Tennessee Ave; east on Tennessee Ave to Patterson Lane; south and west on Patterson Lane to Tennessee Wash; north-east along Tennessee Wash to Tennessee Ave; west on Tennessee Ave to 6th St; north on 6th St to Emerson Ave; west on Emerson Ave to 4th St; north and west on 4th St to West Tennessee Ave; south on West Tennessee Ave to Tennessee Ave.

Condor Country: Why Non-lead Ammunition?

Hunters are helping

For the past seven years, 80 to 91 percent of fall hunters have participated in the Department's voluntary lead reduction program by using non-lead ammunition or removing gut piles from the field in the condor's core range.

The hunting community should be proud of this accomplishment, but we still need more help. Please help us prove to our critics that we can solve this problem on our own and that mandatory measures are not needed.

Anyone shooting a firearm in condor range is asked to use non-lead ammunition. If you choose to use lead ammunition, you can still help by removing your entire carcass (including small game, varmints and domestic animals) and gut pile from the field. Local landfills accept and bury animal remains.

Hunters praise non-lead bullets

Copper bullets have superior penetration, are less toxic, and do not fragment like lead. 93 percent of hunters say that non-lead bullets perform as well as or better than lead bullets on game. Non-lead shot and frangible bullets also are available for varmint and small game hunting.



The Arizona Game and Fish Department and our partners ask you to be part of the solution by using non-lead ammunition when hunting in condor country (Game Management Units 9, 10, 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B).

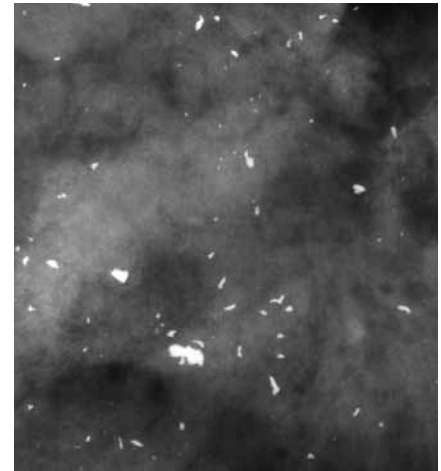
These sportsmen's groups ask you to use non-lead ammunition in condor range:

- Arizona Deer Association
- Arizona Elk Society
- Arizona Antelope Foundation
- Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society
- Arizona Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation

Hunters drawn for hunts in condor range will be mailed more information before their hunt.

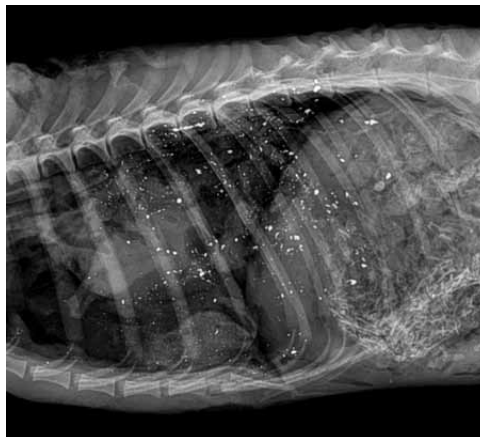


Lead poisoning is the leading cause of death in condors and the main obstacle to a self-sustaining population. There are currently 73 free-flying condors in Arizona and Utah. At least 28 condors have died from lead poisoning. Several had lead shot and bullet fragments in their digestive tract. More than 450 cases of lead exposure have been documented in the condor population since 1999.



Lead bullet fragments remain in game carcasses and gut piles left in the field by hunters. These X-rays show hundreds of lead fragments (fragments appear bright white in X-ray) in a deer carcass and gut pile. Condors are group feeders, so several birds can ingest fragments from one carcass or gut pile containing lead.

Studies have concluded that lead shot and bullet fragments found in game carcasses and gut piles are the main source of lead in condors. To learn more about the condor program and for a complete list of non-lead ammunition available, visit: www.azgfd.gov/condor.



Lead varmint and small game ammunition also fragments significantly. This x-ray of a coyote illustrates the amount of lead (bright white fragments) left in the carcass. Each spring condor lead exposures increase as they forage on animal remains left in the field by hunters. Hunters can help by either using non-lead ammunition OR removing ALL varmint and small game carcasses from the field.

Wolf or Coyote?

Know the Differences



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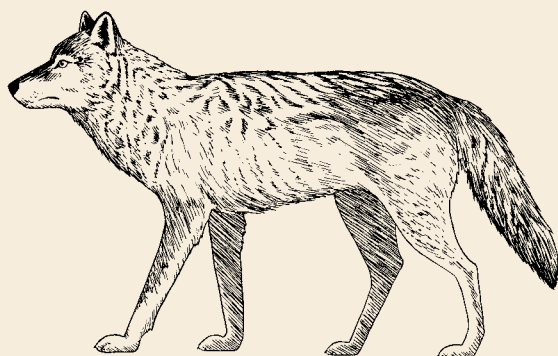
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An important step in accomplishing reintroduction of the Mexican wolf is to reduce inadvertent illegal shooting of this subspecies. To date, some of these wolves have been shot, and it is probable that some of these shootings were cases of mistaken identity, where the shooter believed the target was a coyote. It may be difficult to distinguish wolves from coyotes, especially when the sighting is brief, the animal is far away, the wolf is a juvenile, or the wolf is in its summer coat. Coyote hunters should exercise extra caution from July to November because wolf pups are active, and their appearance and behavior make them appear like coyotes. You are responsible for identifying your target before shooting.

If you are hunting in or near Unit 1 or 27, or near the United States/Mexico border east of Nogales, please be aware that Mexican wolves may be present. Mexican wolves are protected under the Endangered Species Act. Take, which means “to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct,” is generally unlawful, and may subject you to federal and state prosecution. Criminal penalties may include imprisonment of not more than one year and a fine of up to \$50,000 and/or a civil penalty of up to \$25,000.

KNOW THE DIFFERENCES

Know the Differences

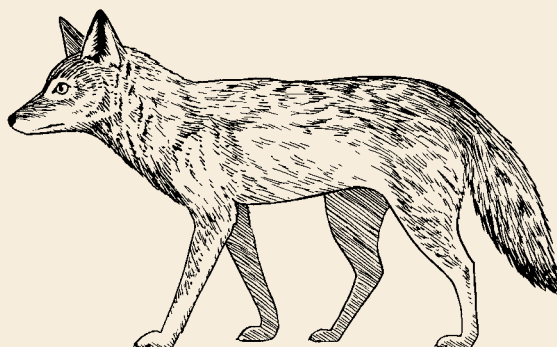


Mexican Wolf (*Canis lupus baileyi*)

- Nose is broad and blocky
- Ears are more rounded and relatively short
- Fur color is very similar to coyotes: grizzled gray, black, rust or buff; not all white or all black
- Legs are longer, giving wolves a more lanky appearance; feet are larger
- Weighs 50–80 pounds
- Sometimes displays curious behavior and may not flee as quickly
- Not all wolves have radio collars
- Front paw is 4 1/2 inches long by 3 1/2 inches wide

Description: Smaller than a northern gray wolf but larger than a coyote. Adults are 70–80 pounds and 30 inches at the shoulder. Adults are 5–5.5 feet long, including a 14- to 17-inch tail. Males are larger than females. Head and feet are large in proportion to body. Small, erect ears with wide tufts of hair that grow out and down are one of the Mexican wolf's most distinctive features. Body color is often mottled or patchy, varying from gray and black to brown and buff.

Habitat: Mid- to high-elevation woodlands, including oak, pinyon pine, juniper, ponderosa pine and mixed conifer forests. Almost all historical records of Mexican wolves in Arizona occurred above 4,500 feet in elevation. Habitat must contain large ungulate prey animals for wolves to thrive.



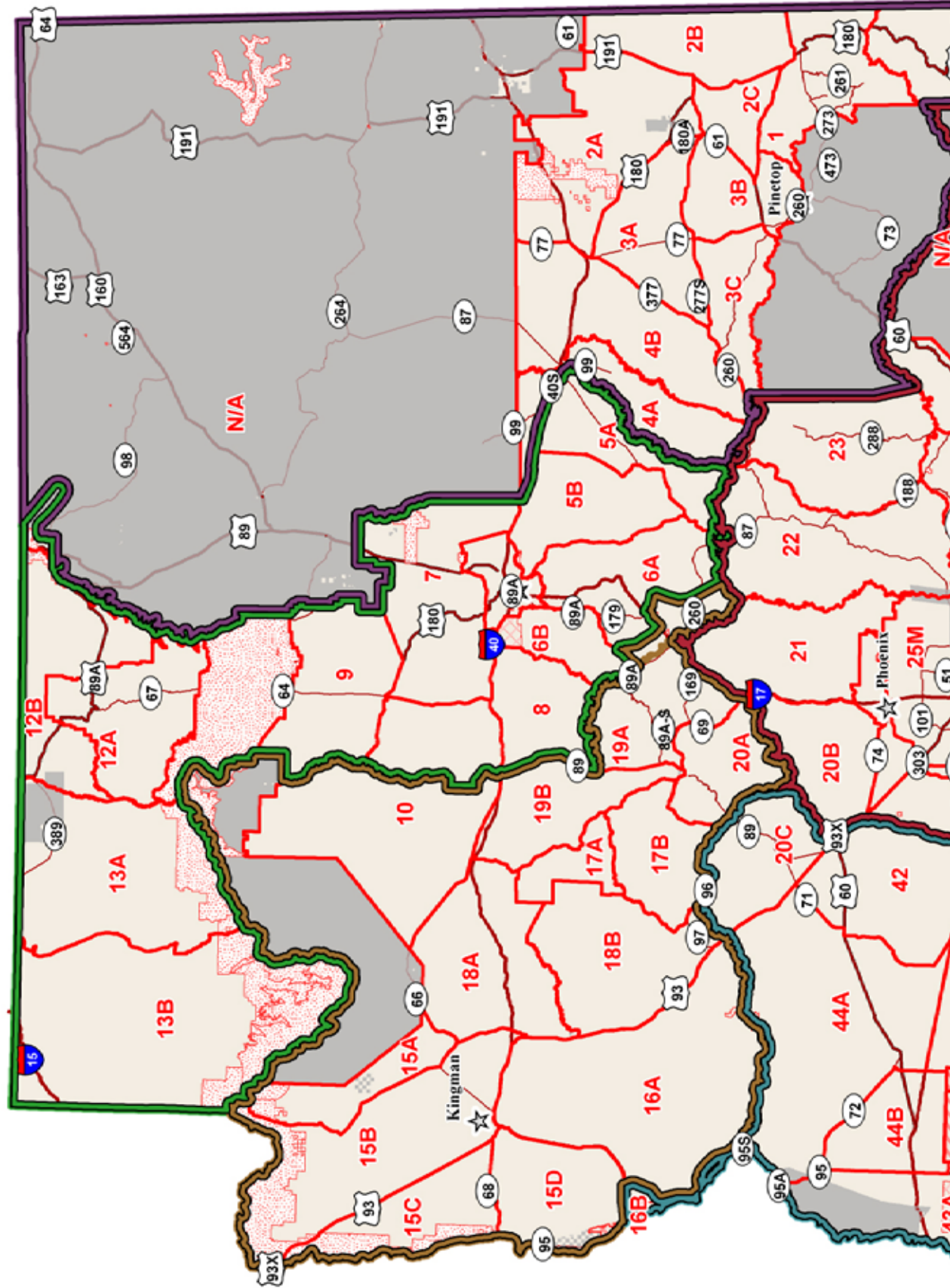
Coyote (*Canis latrans*)

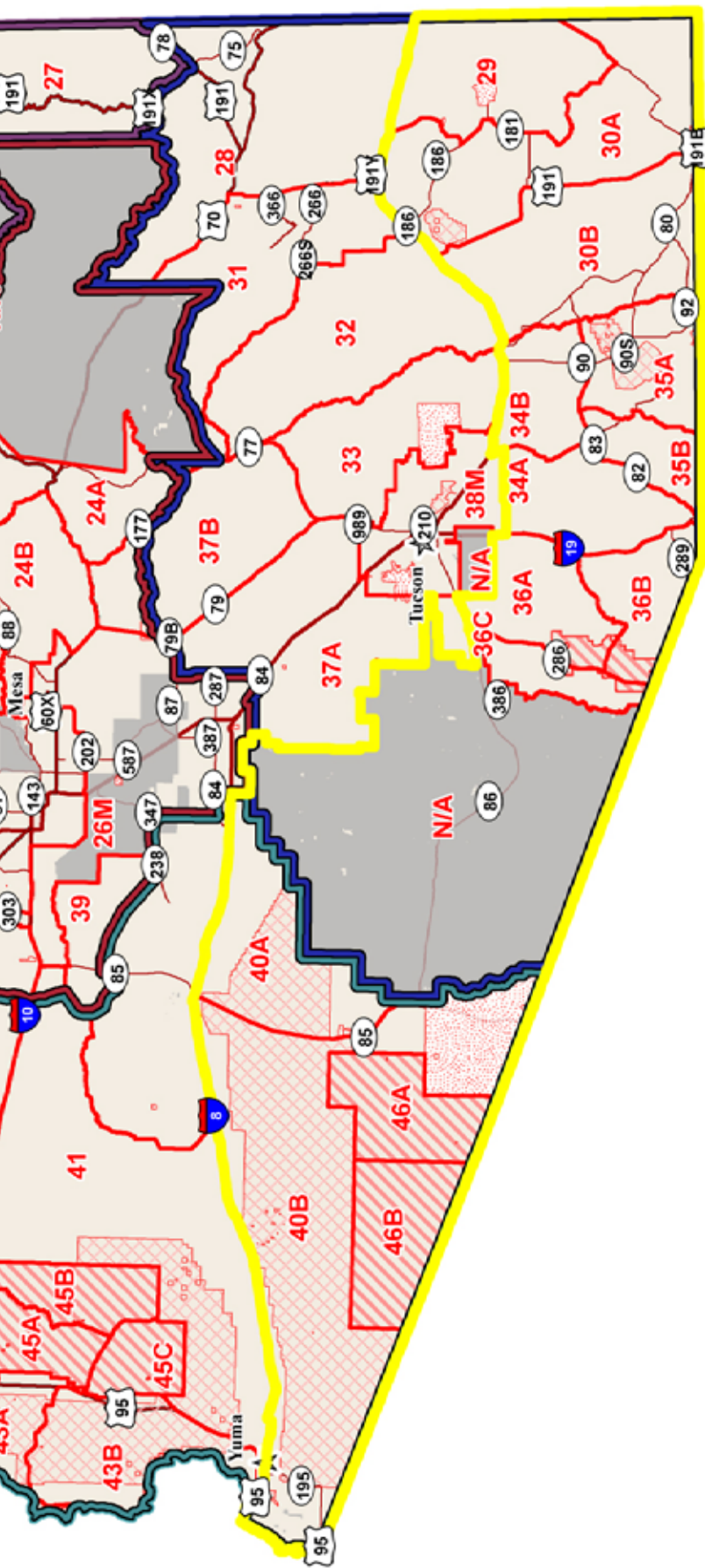
- Nose is slender and pointed
- Ears are prominent, pointed and relatively long
- Fur color is very similar to wolves: grizzled gray, rust or buff; rarely white or black
- Legs and feet are smaller, more delicate
- Weighs 20–35 pounds
- Usually displays skittish behavior, tends to flee immediately
- Front paw is 2 1/2 inches long by 2 inches wide

Description: Coyotes are on the small side, weighing less than 35 pounds. An adult measures about 21 inches tall at the shoulder, with a total length of up to 49 inches. The coyote looks much like a shepherd dog, the pelage being rather long, heavy and often presenting a shaggy or grizzled appearance. The fur is reddish or tawny gray, sometimes tipped with black. The tail is large and very bushy. Ears are upright, and the slender muzzle is sharply pointed. Seasonal color variation is considerable among coyotes, and immature pelage is grayer and duller than that of an adult.

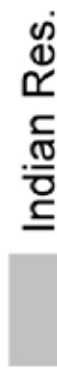
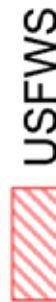
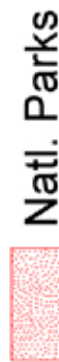
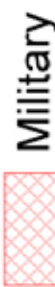
Habitat: All habitats are occupied, from low desert to montane forest and woodland, but the coyote tends to avoid thickly forested, high elevation areas.

Game Management Unit Map





Game Management Units



Homeland Security Issues along the International Border may affect the quality of a person's hunt.
Call 1 (800) BE-ALERT to report suspicious activity

Region 1

Region 2

Region 3

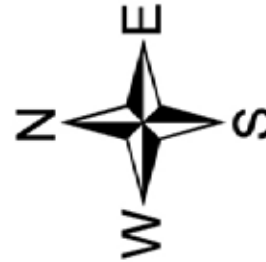
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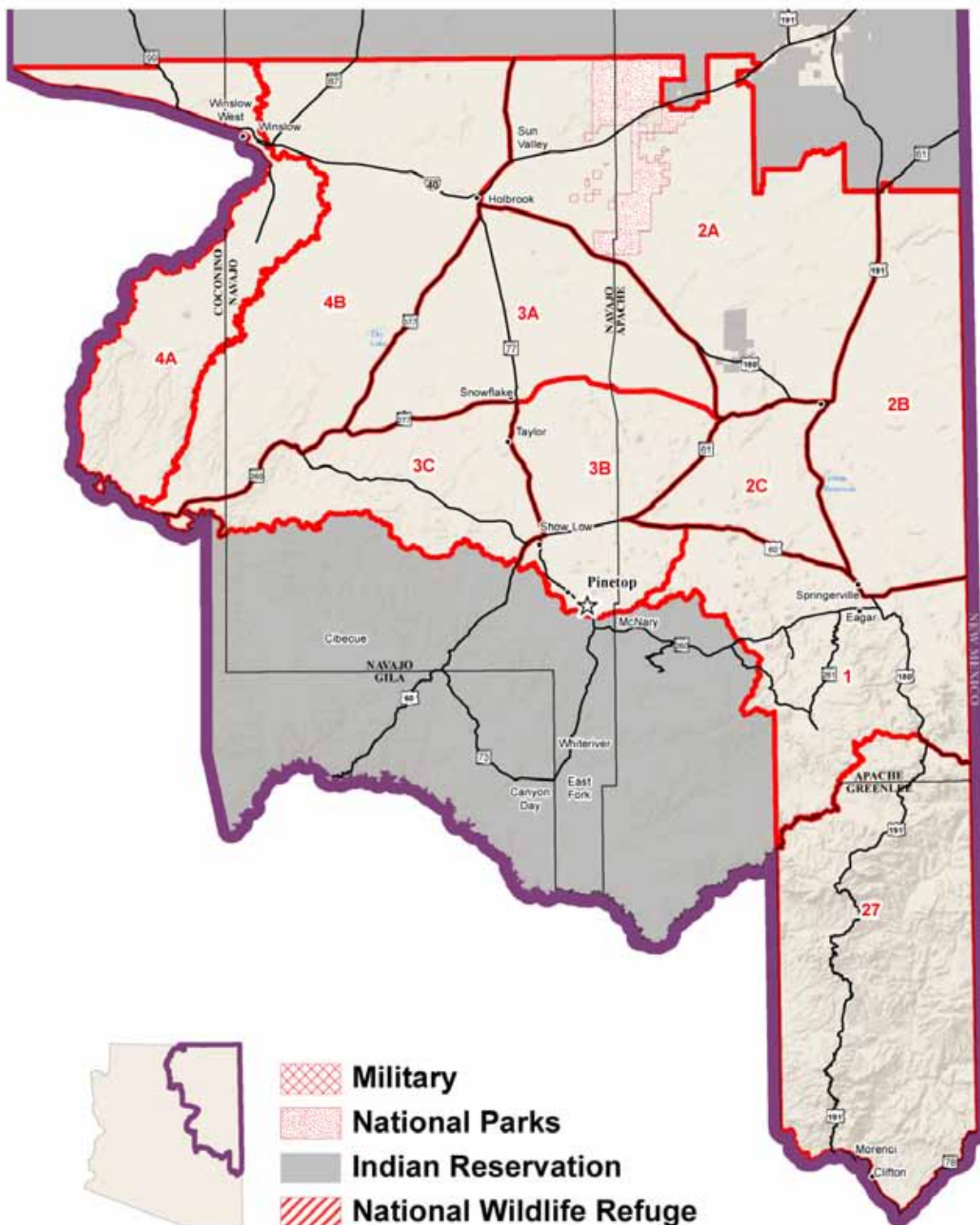
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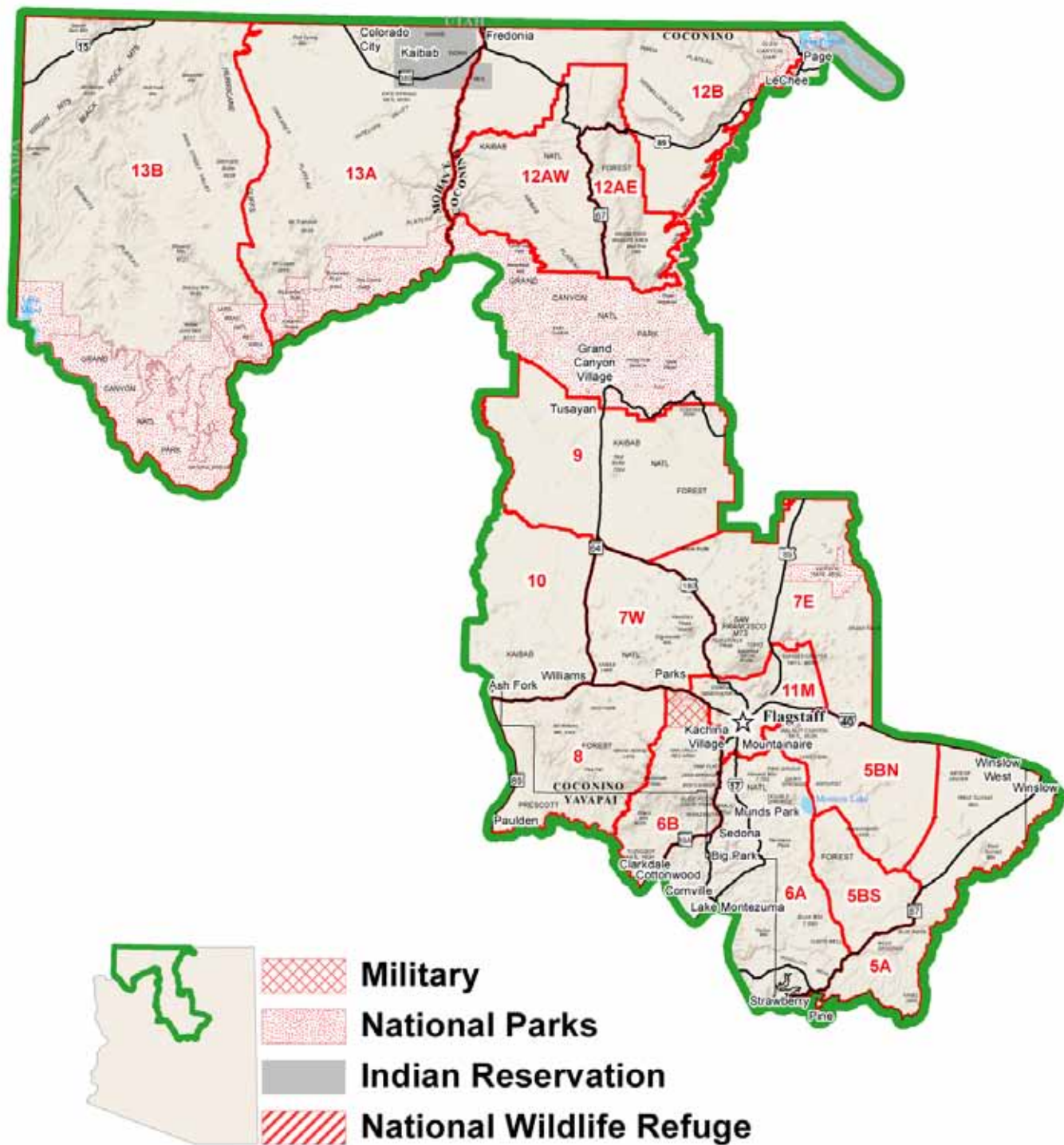
Region 1 – Game Management Unit Map



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Pinetop Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd., Pinetop, AZ 85935. Call: (928) 367-4281.**

This map is for reference only. See R12-4-108 on page 116 for legal descriptions of Game Management Unit Boundaries. Hunting on Indian Reservation, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for additional information.

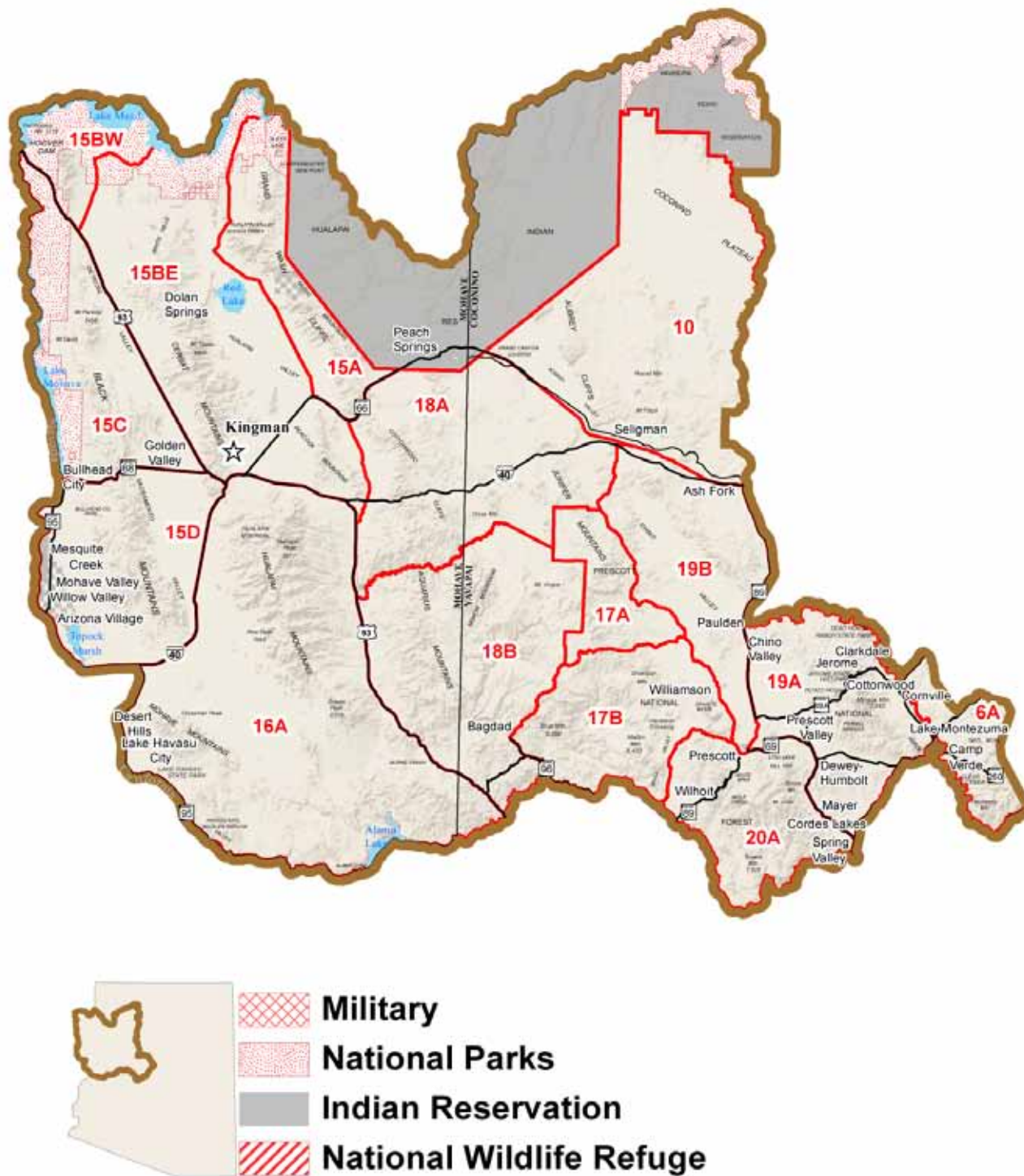
Region 2 – Game Management Unit Map



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Flagstaff Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road, Flagstaff, AZ 86005. Call: (928) 774-5045.

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Region 3 – Game Management Unit Map



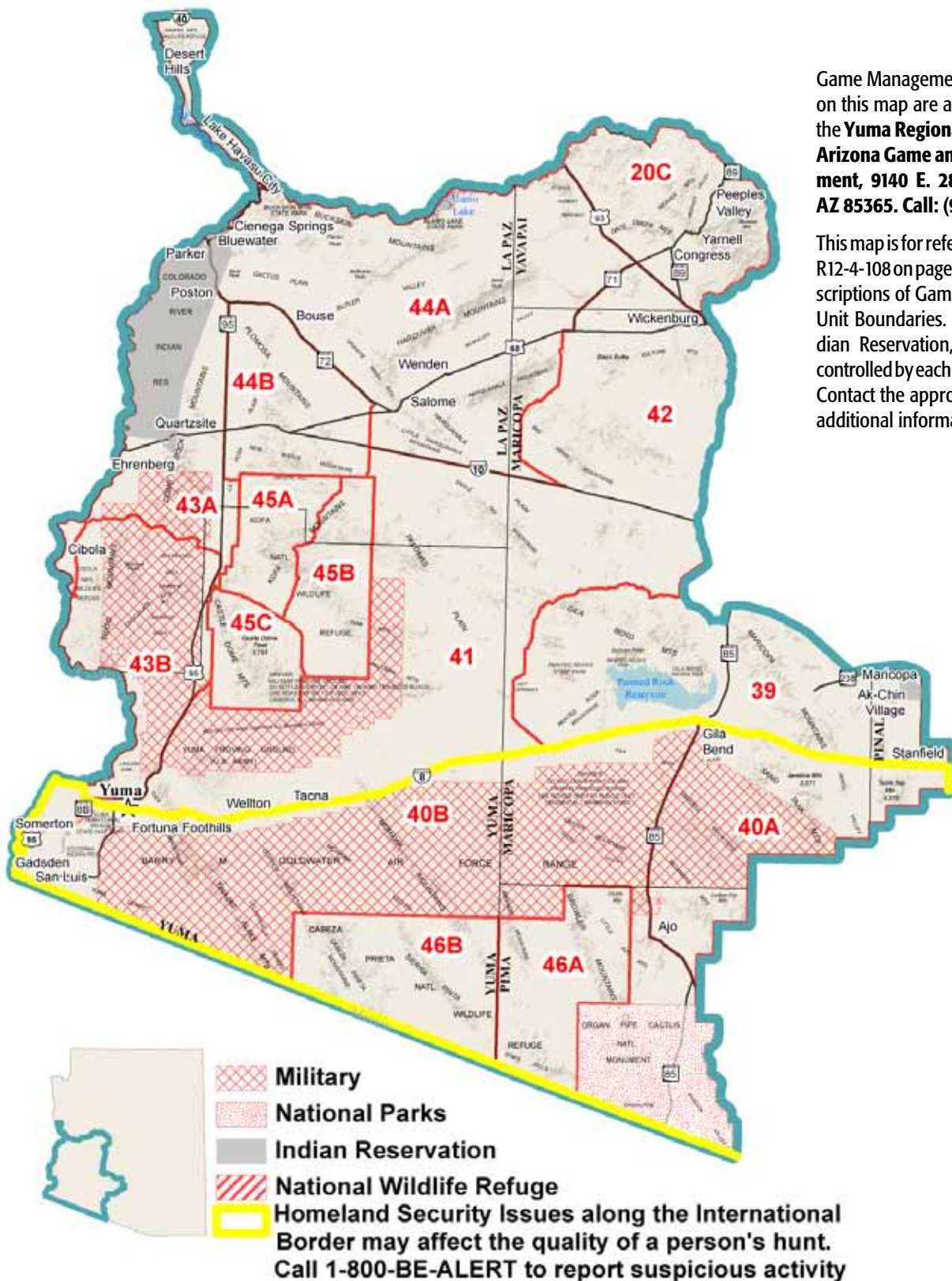
Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Kingman Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road, Kingman, AZ 86409. Call: (928) 692-7700.

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Region 4 – Game Management Unit Map

Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Yuma Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 9140 E. 28th St., Yuma, AZ 85365. Call: (928) 342-0091.**

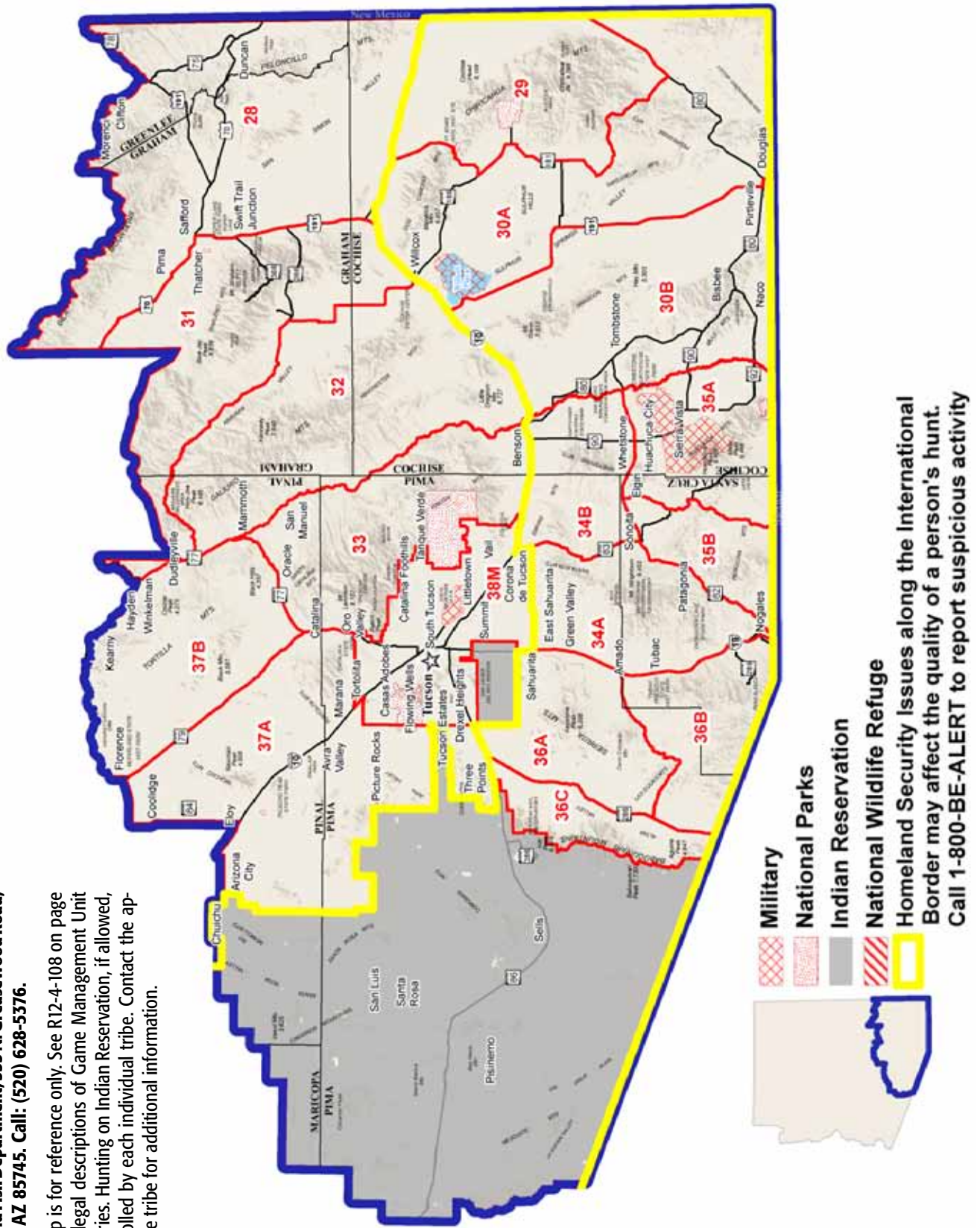
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Region 5 – Game Management Unit Map

Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Tucson Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 555 N. Greasewood Road, Tucson, AZ 85745. Call: (520) 628-5376.**

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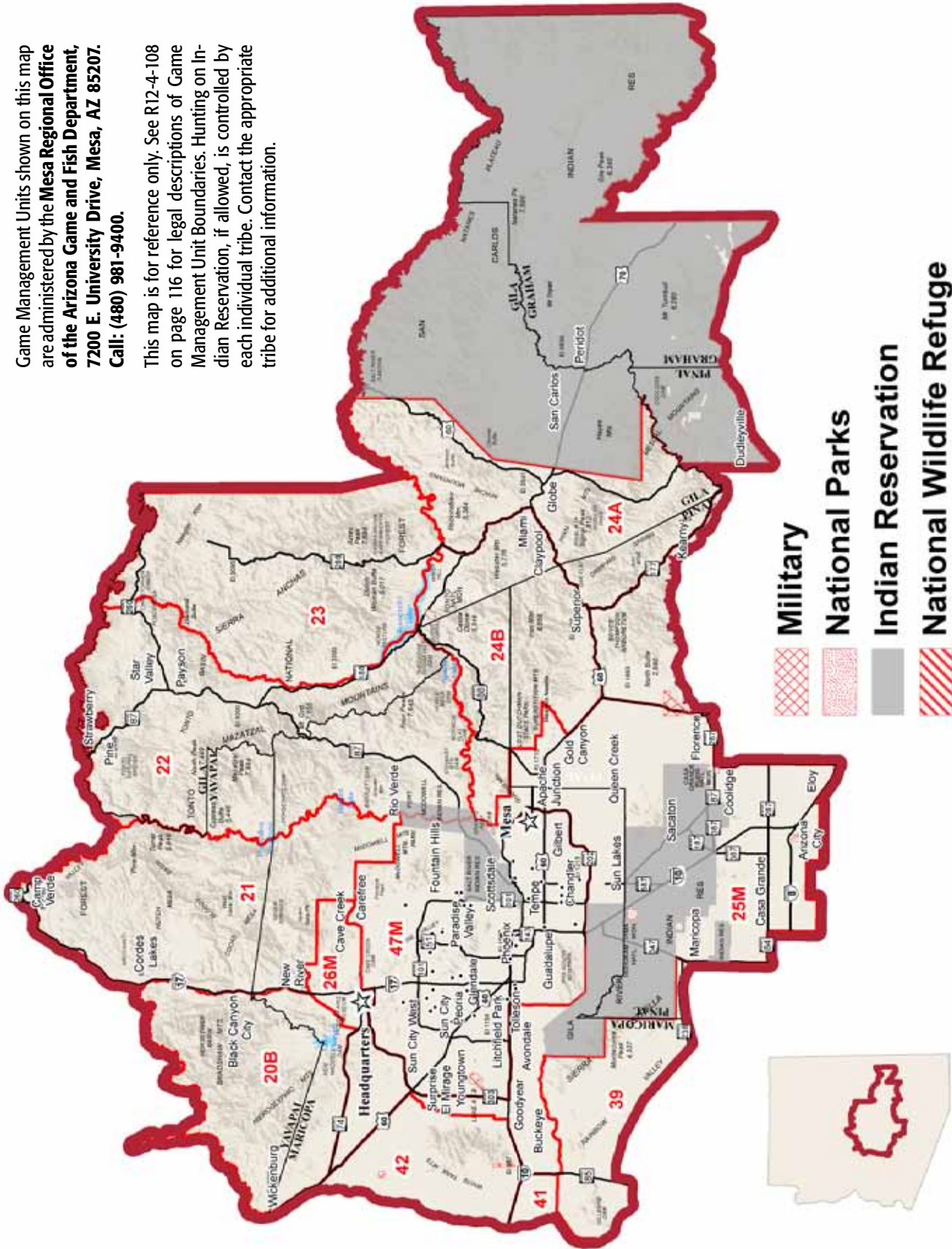
Maps

Military

National Parks

Indian Reservation

National Wildlife Refuge



Welcome to Small Game Hunting in Arizona

Small game hunters in Arizona are very fortunate. Few places in North America offer such a diversity of hunts with lengthy seasons as does Arizona. Within this section are the season dates, bag limits, and other pertinent information necessary to hunt small game and other wildlife. The 2015-16 hunting season shows promise for the small game hunter.

All of our small game species go through boom and bust cycles with varying frequency. Generally, population fluctuations correspond with precipitation patterns. During the past few years, many of our small game populations have suffered ebbs in the cycle. The astute and successful small game hunter keeps a watchful eye on rainfall patterns and increases hunt success by targeting the species or portion of the state where small game populations are most favorable.

Quail and cottontail respond well to rainfall. In some areas these species abound because of increased precipitation, while apparent voids exist in other areas due to the lack of rain. Yet, knowing when rain falls is just as important as knowing where. In the case of quail, Gambel's quail respond to winter rains, scaled quail respond to spring rains, and Mearns' quail respond to summer monsoonal rains. These time-period-specific precipitation patterns affect the hatches and juvenile survival of each species. When precipitation increases during these time periods, these quail populations generally increase as well.

Yet, not all precipitation is good precipitation. In the case of Abert's tree squirrels, an extended period of heavy snows with deep snow pack decreases their overwinter survival because they are forced to feed on less

nutritious pine stems rather than the protein and fat-packed seeds buried under the snow. By watching precipitation patterns across the state, small game hunters can identify those small game species and localities that are likely to provide the best hunting next year.

If you're up for a challenge and want to explore new areas of the state, don't forget about pursuing some of Arizona's other upland game. Chukars, dusky (blue) grouse, and pheasant can take you on an adventure that few others can.

As with any season or upcoming hunt, make sure you do your homework. Good luck and enjoy your hunting experience. For more information on these species, seasons, and hunting regulations, please visit www.azgfd.gov/hunting.

Tree Squirrel Hunting



■ Distribution

For further information on squirrels, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Five (5) tree squirrels per day.
Possession Limit	Fifteen (15) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt tree squirrel in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Tree squirrels hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Tree Squirrel Hunting

Tree Squirrel: Commission Order 11

GENERAL TREE SQUIRREL

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2015 - May 31, 2016	(15)	33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TREE SQUIRREL

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2 - Dec 31, 2015	(20)	11M	Any tree squirrel

ARCHERY-ONLY TREE SQUIRREL

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 21 - Oct 1, 2015	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2015	(6)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any tree squirrel

FALCONRY-ONLY TREE SQUIRREL

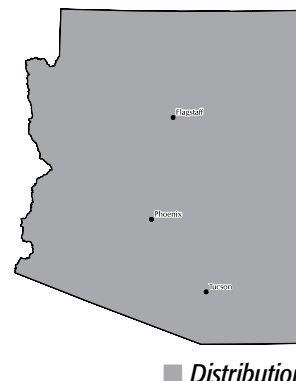
Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 21 - Dec 31, 2015	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 33)	Any tree squirrel

TREE SQUIRREL NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Your Hunter Questionnaire is Important!
Submit your small game response by mail only.

Cottontail Rabbit Hunting



For further information on cottontail rabbits, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Ten (10) cottontail rabbits per day.
Possession Limit	Thirty (30) cottontail rabbits of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt cottontail rabbits in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Cottontail Rabbit hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Cottontail Rabbit: Commission Order 12

GENERAL COTTONTAIL RABBIT

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(2)	Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 2, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(2)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

Cottontail Rabbit Hunting

Cottontail Rabbit: Commission Order 12 (*continued*)

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT COTTONTAIL RABBIT

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,27)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

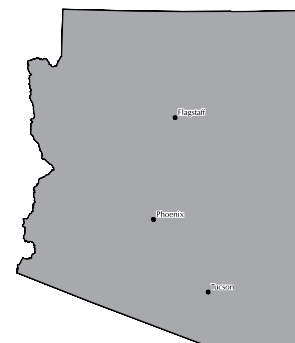
FALCONRY-ONLY COTTONTAIL RABBIT

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,2,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

COTTONTAIL RABBIT NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals Hunting



■ Distribution

For further information on predatory and fur-bearing mammals, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318. Pursuit Only Hunt: An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.
Definition	Daylong means the 24-hour period between midnight and midnight.
Possession Limit	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

To hunt predatory and fur-bearing mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13

GENERAL (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coyote and skunks
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Oct 2, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(2)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes
Aug 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(1,3,4,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals Hunting

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13 (continued)

GENERAL (DAYLONG SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Dec 1, 2015 - May 31, 2016	(6,15,25,28)	4A, 4B (north of Interstate 40), 5A, 5B, 8, 10, 12A, 12B, 13A, 13B, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 16A, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20A, 31, 32, 42, and 44A	Coyote

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14, 15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(1,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14, 15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

PURSUIT-ONLY PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2015 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,5,6,14,15,16,17, 18,21,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Raccoon

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Other Birds & Mammals

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.
Possession Limit	Unlimited. Except for coati, which is one (1) per calendar year.
<i>To hunt other birds and mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Other Birds & Mammals: Commission Order 14

GENERAL OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17, 18,21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17, 18,21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Crow
Sep 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18, 21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coati
Sep 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Jackrabbit
Jul 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2016	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18, 21,22,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17, 18,21,22,23,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M and private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

Other Birds & Mammals

Other Birds & Mammals: Commission Order 14 (*continued*)

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,27)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2016		11M	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,23,27)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

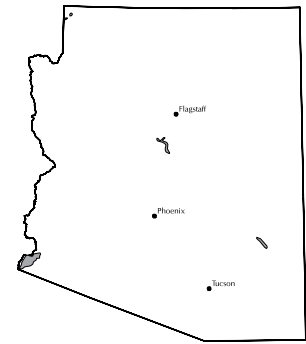
FALCONRY-ONLY OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2015	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Crow
Sep 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coati
Jul 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2016	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2015 - Jun 30, 2016	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Pheasant Hunting



■ Distribution

For further information on pheasants, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Tag Required	For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot and Youth-Only seasons, hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons or falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Limited Weapon Shotgun Shooting Shot Bag Limit	Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.
Archery-Only and Falconry-Only Bag Limit	Two (2) pheasants per day.
Archery-Only Possession Limit	Six (6) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.
Falconry-Only Possession Limit	Six (6) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt pheasant in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. To hunt pheasant during the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.</i>	
<i>The Department offers "Youth-Only" designated hunts, in which persons are eligible to participate up to their 18th birthday. A youth hunter, whose 18th birthday occurs after opening day of a "Youth-Only" designated hunt for which the hunter has a valid permit or tag, may continue to participate for the duration of the "Youth-Only" designated hunt. Provided that persons between the ages of 10 and 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director.</i>	

Pheasant: Commission Order 15

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11001	Sep 18 - Sep 24, 2015	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11002	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2015	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11003	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2015	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
Total					150

Pheasant Hunting

Pheasant: Commission Order 15 (*continued*)

YOUTH-ONLY LIMITED WEAPON SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11004	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2015	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any pheasant	40
Total					40

ARCHERY-ONLY PHEASANT

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

FALCONRY-ONLY PHEASANT

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 11, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

PHEASANT NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Quail Hunting



Gambel's



■ Distribution



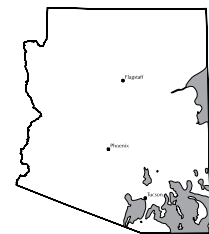
Mearns'



■ Distribution



Scaled



■ Distribution

For further information on quail, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
GENERAL Bag Limit	Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail
GENERAL Possession Limit	Forty-five (45) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in any one day. After Mearns' season opens, the forty-five (45) possession limit may include twenty-four (24) Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.
FALCONRY Bag Limit	Three (3) quail per day.
FALCONRY Possession Limit	Nine (9) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt quail in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail, that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.</i>	

Quail Hunting

Quail: Commission Order 16

GENERAL QUAIL

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 2, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,20,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 2, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(2)	Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Dec 4, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,20,26,27)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Mearns' quail

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL

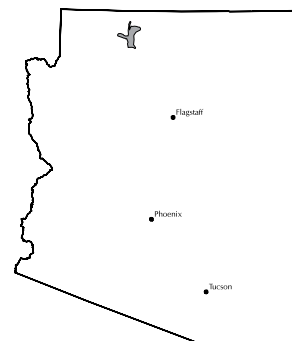
Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1, 2015 - Mar 3, 2016	(1,6,9,10,21)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2015 - Mar 31, 2016	(6)	25M, 26M, and 38M	Any quail

QUAIL NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.



Chukar Partridge Hunting



■ Distribution

For further information on chukar partridge, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
Bag Limit	Five (5) chukar per day.
Possession Limit	Fifteen (15) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt chukar partridge in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

Chukar Partridge: Commission Order 17

GENERAL CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

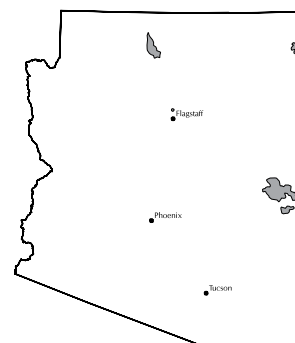
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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 4, 2015 - Feb 7, 2016	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any chukar

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Attention Chukar Hunters: The Department would like to better survey chukar hunter participation and success. To do this we are asking chukar hunters to provide an address or email to the Department's small game biologist so that they can be surveyed directly after the end of the season. This may be done by sending an email to: jodell@azgfd.gov or through regular mail to the Department's main office: Attention Game Branch.

Blue Grouse Hunting



■ Distribution

For further information on blue grouse, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 16 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
Bag Limit	Three (3) blue grouse per day.
Possession Limit	Nine (9) blue grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt blue grouse in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. A migratory bird stamp is not required.</i>	

Blue Grouse: Commission Order 18

GENERAL BLUE GROUSE

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 4 - Nov 8, 2015	(6)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 4A, 5A, and 31)	Blue grouse

BLUE GROUSE NOTES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGES 92-93.

Attention Grouse Hunters: The Department would like to better survey blue grouse hunter participation and success. To do this we are asking grouse hunters to provide an address or email to the Department's small game biologist so that they can be surveyed directly after the end of the season. This may be done by sending an email to: jodell@azgfd.gov or through regular mail to the Department's main office: Attention Game Branch.

Small Game Hunting Notes

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to small game hunting except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Program Access Permit and coordinating with YPG Range Control. Access permits are issued at the YPG Visitor Center located at building 2020 at the Wahner E. Brooks Exhibit Park off Imperial Dam Road. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm. Hunting access permit applicants must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement, receive a Range Safety Briefing, and undergo an NCIC background check. Furthermore, all firearms must be registered at the visitor center prior to entering YPG. Do not bring the firearms into the visitor center. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be closed. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 307, Attn: Hunting Program, 307 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498; email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.mbx.hunting@mail.mil; call (928) 328-2125; or visit <http://www.yuma.army.mil/Visiting/HuntingatYPG.aspx>.
2. National Wildlife Refuges may be open to hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands). The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
3. Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have attached permit tag in accordance with R12-4-305.
4. Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
5. A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318.
6. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting.
7. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14, and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
8. A portion of Unit 25M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 25M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
9. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the appropriate land management agency for hunting access to Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and some adjacent areas. The BMGR is closed to hunting except open public recreational use areas, as allowed by an authorized entry permit. For specifics about accessing the BMGR refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
10. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
11. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: the unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
12. Within Unit 25M as described in R12-4-108, all incorporated lands, including private property within municipal boundaries, are closed to hunting unless opened under Commission Order. Incorporated includes all municipal and corporate limits. County islands are open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
13. The following described area in the City of Maricopa in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
14. The following described area in the Town of Eloy in Units 26M and 37A is closed to hunting: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
15. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
16. The following described area in Unit 36B is closed to hunting: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.

Small Game Hunting Notes

17. The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
18. The following described area in the Town of Quartzsite in Units 43A and 44B is closed to hunting: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
19. The following Maricopa County parks and preserves are open to hunting as defined in R12-4-321: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Parks. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
20. In Units 11M and 38M, the private property within municipal boundaries is closed to hunting.
21. The area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochise Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
22. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries (except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 27, 37A and 39 west of AZ Hwy 85) are closed to hunting during this hunt.
23. Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
24. For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: Application Info and Fees. Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected.
25. In units listed with this note, coyotes may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle. Per R12-4-304, an individual shall not use or possess any electronic night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light-gathering devices, thermal imaging devices or laser sights while taking wildlife: except for devices such as laser range finders, scopes with self-illuminating reticles, and fiber optic sights with self-illuminating sights or pins that do not project a visible light onto an animal.
26. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and to hunting during an open season.
27. The following City of Tucson water Properties located in Avra Valley are open to hunting via foot access only: the Duval property in Unit 36C and the Buckelew property in Unit 37A; all other Tucson water properties are closed to hunting.
28. In the northern portion of Unit 5A, access is permitted on the Clear Creek Ranch by written permission only by contacting the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program via e-mail at hopihunts@hopi.nsn.us or by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605 from Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Please contact in advance to gain access for hunting and scouting. In Unit 5B North, access is permitted on the Hopi's Hart/Drye Ranch and in Unit 4A on the Hopi's Aja Ranch by signing in at designated sign-in boxes located at access points.

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Where, When and How Can You Hunt?

Where Can You Hunt?

GENERAL – Areas open for hunting are shown in the Commission Orders for each big and small game species (pages 37-66 and 78-93). Generally, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and State of Arizona lands are open for hunting. National Parks, and some National Monuments and State Parks are not.

MAPS – The Arizona Game and Fish Department does not publish maps. There are, however, maps available from the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the State Land Department.

ACCESS – Land in Arizona is owned or managed by six different governments or agencies, each with its own set of access rules. (There are 13.1 million acres of private land in Arizona.)

- **THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE** manages 15 percent of the state. Access is open to hunting and fishing in season, though some areas are subject to special closures.
- **THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** manages 16 percent of the state. Call (602) 417-9200 for additional information on BLM and other public lands.
- **THE STATE OF ARIZONA** manages 13 percent of the state, and the State Land Access Rule (R12-4-110, page 119) delineates the rights and privileges of sportsmen and landowners or operators

as regards to state lands. Note that “State Land - No Trespassing” signs prohibit access to non-permittees. Properly licensed hunters lawfully taking wildlife are considered permittees for the purpose of trespassing on state land, and are therefore allowed access - see R12-4-110, paragraph I, page 119. The State Land Department is at (602) 542-4621.

- **INDIAN RESERVATIONS** comprise 28 percent of Arizona. Individual tribal governments establish hunting and fishing regulations for their reservations. See R12-4-117, page 121.
- **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES** have separate regulations. See below for telephone numbers for refuges in Arizona.
- **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS** have separate regulations. Consult individual Commission Orders for specific information.

HUNT UNITS – The maps on pages 70-77 show hunt unit boundaries, which are described in detail in R12-4-108 on page 116. Portions of any unit may be closed during certain hunts. These closures are listed in the footnotes following the Commission Order for the hunt in question (pages 37-66 and 78-93).

SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS – Some parks, refuges and similar areas have special regulations governing certain kinds of hunting - see R12-4-301 (page 125). For special requirements in state wildlife areas, see R12-4-802 (page 131).

National Wildlife Refuges

National Wildlife Refuges in Arizona provide hunting opportunities in designated areas. The following rules apply to all National Wildlife Refuges and are listed to help guide you when visiting:

1. Arizona state law requires all vehicles and operators to be licensed, registered, insured and properly equipped in order to travel on maintained roads or highways. All roads open to vehicle use by the public on NWRs are categorized as “designated routes of travel” which are “maintained” routes. Therefore all vehicles must be “street legal” in order to travel upon NWRs. Any travel off of these roads is prohibited.
2. Any discharge of a firearm except to take legal game is not permitted.
3. Pits, permanent blinds and stands; trail or scouting cameras; and baiting are prohibited.
4. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
5. Temporary blinds, boats, hunting equipment, and decoys must be removed following each day's hunt.
6. Guide service providers must obtain a Special Use Permit from the refuge on which they provide their services.

More information, including refuge-specific regulations and maps, should be obtained by writing or phoning the refuge at:

Buenos Aires N.W.R.

P.O. Box 109
Sasabe, AZ 85633
(520) 823-4251

Cibola N.W.R.

Rte. 2, Box 1
Cibola, AZ 85328
(928) 857-3253

Havasut N.W.R.

P.O. Box 3009
Needles, CA 92363
(760) 326-3853

San Bernardino/ Leslie Canyon N.W.R.

P.O. Box 3509
Douglas, AZ 85607
(520) 364-2104

Kofa N.W.R.

9300 E. 28th St.
Yuma, AZ 85365
(928) 783-7861

Imperial N.W.R.

P.O. Box 72217
Yuma, AZ 85365
(928) 783-3371

Cabeza Prieta N.W.R.

1611 N. 2nd Ave.
Ajo, AZ 85321
(520) 387-6483

Bill Williams River N.W.R.

60911 Hwy. 95
Parker, AZ 85344
(928) 667-4144

Violations observed on NWRs may be reported to (800) 637-9152.

National Park Service

Hunting is prohibited in the following areas:

- Canyon de Chelly National Monument
- Casa Grande Ruins National Monument

- Chiricahua National Monument
- Coronado National Memorial
- Fort Bowie National Historic Site
- Grand Canyon National Park
- Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site
- Montezuma Castle National Monument & Montezuma Well
- Navajo National Monument
- Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
- Petrified Forest National Park
- Pipe Spring National Park
- Saguaro National Park
- Sunset Crater National Monument
- Tonto National Monument
- Tumacacori National Historical Park
- Tuzigoot National Monument
- Walnut Canyon National Monument
- Wupatki National Monument

Hunting Restrictions Apply:

- Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Indian Reservations

Hunting on Indian Reservations, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for information.

Lake Mead National Recreation Area

1. Hunting is permitted in designated areas of Lake Mead National Recreation Area

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and is regulated by state game agencies. Park rangers and state game wardens enforce game regulations. See park hunting maps for designated hunting areas. Be sure to review state hunting regulations for seasons and ensure you possess the appropriate hunting license.

2. A new federal law that allows people who can legally possess firearms under applicable federal, state and local laws, to legally possess firearms is now in effect. It is the responsibility of visitors to understand and comply with all applicable state, local and federal firearms laws before entering this park. Firearms are prohibited in federal buildings where federal employees work. This includes visitors centers, park administrative offices and ranger stations.
3. Target shooting of any kind is prohibited in the park. Shooting is allowed on certain lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.
4. Motorized vehicles may operate on designated public roadways only and must be licensed and equipped to legally operate on state highways.

Additional information and closure maps are available for review at all ranger stations or can be obtained by writing to: Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Attention: Chief Ranger 601 Nevada Way, Boulder City, NV 89005-2426.

Hunting on Military Reservations

Hunters desiring to hunt on military reservations are advised to contact the specific installation for current regulations prior to going afield. Hunters are also advised that increases in United States Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time and with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for military reservation hunt permit-tags will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground: The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is open to hunting in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Program Access Permit and

coordinating with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must obtain a hunting access permit before entering YPG. Access permits are issued at the YPG Visitor Center located at building 2020 at the Wahner E. Brooks Exhibit Park off Imperial Dam Road. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm. Hunting access permit applicants must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement, receive a Range Safety Briefing, and undergo an NCIC background check. Furthermore, all firearms must be registered at the visitor center prior to entering YPG. Do not bring the firearms into the visitor center. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be closed. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 307, Attn: Hunting Program, 307 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498, email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.mbx.hunting@mail.mil; call (928) 328-2125; or visit <http://www.yuma.army.mil/Visiting/HuntingatYPG.aspx>.

Barry M Goldwater Range: Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the appropriate land management agency for hunting access to Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and applicable adjacent areas. The BMGR is closed to hunting except open public recreational use areas, as allowed via an authorized entry permit. Bighorn sheep hunters wishing to access or cross additional areas in BMGR East must coordinate with the 56th Fighter Wing Range Management Office. To access the BMGR or Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, hunters must sign a hold harmless agreement and obtain an entry permit. More information can be obtained by calling Luke Air Force Base, 56th Fighter Wing RMO at (623) 856-9476 or (623) 856-8516 or (623) 856-8520; the Marine Corps Air Station Yuma at (928) 269-7150; the Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office at (623) 580-5500; the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge at (520) 387-6483; the Gila Bend Air Force Auxiliary Field at (928) 683-6200 or by visiting the following websites: <http://www.luke.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=5062> and <http://www.luke.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-130829-039.pdf>.

Fort Huachuca Army Garrison: Hunting on Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A is restricted. All hunters must meet specific eligibility requirements and must obtain a copy of the special Fort Huachuca hunting regulations and comply with the listed provisions prior to hunting. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html, (520) 533-2549 or fthuchucawildlife@conus.army.mil.

Camp Navajo: Hunting on Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is restricted. Contact the Arizona National Guard for more information: (e-mail) hunting@campnavajo.com, or visit (web-site): <https://dema.az.gov/camp-navajo/camp-navajo-hunting-information>.

Florence Military Reservation: The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at (602) 267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, www.zgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).

Wilderness Areas

The Wilderness Act of 1984 and the Desert Wilderness Act of 1990 designated large portions of Arizona as wilderness. Hunters should be aware that this may influence their hunt. Except where specifically permitted, all forms of motorized travel are prohibited. Hunters should be prepared for remote and primitive conditions. For additional information regarding wilderness restrictions, hunters should contact the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or the U.S. Forest Service, as appropriate for the area of interest.

Bureau of Land Management

Generally, BLM lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions.

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BLM National Monuments: The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting. Contact the Explore Arizona Outdoor Information Center at (602) 417-9300 at the BLM State Office in Phoenix.

Grand Canyon – Parashant National Monument: Parashant National Monument is jointly managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the National Park Service (NPS).

Both the BLM lands and NPS lands within Parashant National Monument are open to hunting. However, several NPS regulations differ from those of the BLM. These differences are:

1. Target shooting or the discharge of a weapon except to hunt is not permitted.
2. All motorized vehicles are restricted to established designated roads only (No off-road game retrieval permitted)
3. All motor vehicles must be licensed, insured and equipped to legally operate on state highways (Street Legal)
4. Operators of motor vehicles must possess a valid state driver's license.
5. Shed antlers may not be collected or possessed while on NPS lands.
6. Dogs must be kept on a leash, 6 feet or less in length and not be left unattended in camp.
7. Feeding or baiting of wildlife is prohibited.
8. No landing of aircraft on NPS lands or roads.
9. Property (including game cameras) cannot be left unattended longer than 24 hrs. Property left over 24 hours or any unattended property that interferes with visitor safety, orderly management of the park area, or presents a threat to park resources may be impounded at any time.
10. Operating any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine, like RV generators is prohibited.

Special Note: GPS device mapware does not always depict accurate land managing agency policy for roads open for travel. Restrictions are signed and may be gated.

San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area: The BLM has established special re-

strictions for the San Pedro Riparian NCA in units 30B, 34B, and 35A. For more information call the BLM at (520) 439-6400.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

State Office - Phoenix
(602) 417-9200
AZ Strip Field Office
(435) 688-3200
Phoenix Field Office
(623) 580-5500
Safford Field Office
(928) 348-4400

Yuma Field Office
(928) 317-3200
Kingman Field Office
(928) 718-3700
Tucson Field Office
(520) 258-7200
Lake Havasu Office
(928) 505-1200

U.S. Forest Service

Generally, Forest Service lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions.

Coronado National Forest Special Restriction: The U. S. Forest Service has special restrictions for the Sabino Canyon Recreation Area in Unit 33, Madera Canyon in Unit 34A, the East Cochise Stronghold in Unit 30B and Cave Creek in Unit 29. For more information call the Coronado National Forest Office at (520) 388-8300.

National Forests in Arizona

Apache-Sitgreaves
Springerville
(928) 333-4301

Coconino
Flagstaff
(928) 527-3600

Coronado
Tucson
(520) 388-8300

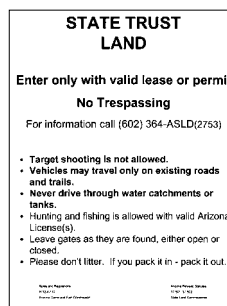
Kaibab
Williams
(928) 635-8200

Prescott
Prescott
(928) 443-8000

Tonto
Phoenix
(602) 225-5200

State Trust Land

The boundaries for state trust lands are delineated by signs. Some older signs still may be posted. All state trust land signage should be followed by hunters, anglers and trappers.



Maricopa County Parks

Some land within the Maricopa County Park System is open to hunting. Discharge of firearms or arrows is prohibited in Cave Creek Recreation Area. Contact the Maricopa County Parks Department at (602) 506-2930 for further details. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting the following parks (see R12-4-321, page 130):

- McDowell (480) 471-0173
- White Tanks (623) 935-2505
- Estrella (623) 932-3811
- Lake Pleasant (928) 501-1710 or (602) 372-7460

Pima County Park System

Some areas within the Pima County park system are open to hunting. Contact Pima County Parks and Recreation at (520) 877-6000.

Access to Private Lands

You must have written or verbal permission from private property owners for use of their legally posted private lands for any purpose including crossing these lands by foot or vehicle to get to public and State Trust lands not accessible by public means.

The private landowner who has given you permission to use the property may not mind if you bring a friend or two along. You may destroy your welcome if you arrive with a carload of companions.

Developing person-to-person relationships with private landowners is another key to having more access available for wildlife recreation. Sportsmen who get to know a landowner and who stop in after their stay are almost always welcomed back.

By treating the land as if it were your own, and by showing consideration and courtesy to the landowner and the property, a sportsman will always have a place to enjoy wildlife.

Never forget that you are a guest when using or crossing private lands, and this access is a privilege, not a right. Your actions may be the determining factor in anyone else accessing these lands.

Be aware that in some areas gaining permission to hunt one particular species may be

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nearly impossible while gaining permission to hunt another species is often easy. For example, some landowners may not let you hunt big game on their property, but would let you call predators or hunt small game.

Be aware that sometimes the landowner may grant access to those who ask to go by foot or horseback versus vehicular access.

Don't assume, unless told otherwise, that permission granted one season means you automatically have permission the following seasons. Situations and ownership change, and permission should be requested each season.

Tree Stands and Blinds

Tree stands and blinds can be effective and legal tools to aid in the taking of wildlife. However, please take into consideration the following before hanging a tree stand or setting a blind:

- It may be unlawful to cut any trees or branches while hanging tree stands or setting blinds.
- It may be unlawful to leave tree stands hanging or blinds set for extended periods of time. They may be considered abandoned property and subject to seizure.
- Construction of permanent tree stands or blinds on public lands is unlawful without appropriate authorization.
- It may be unlawful to pound climbing spikes or attach anything that penetrates the surface of a tree causing permanent injury or scarring.

Sportsmen are advised to be responsible when using tree stands or blinds, and check with the appropriate land management agency regarding use and/or restrictions

Homeland Security

Homeland security issues along the international border may affect the quality of a person's hunt. Call 1 (877) 872-7435 to reach the U.S. Border Patrol and report suspicious activity.

Guide Service

A guide license issued from the Arizona Game and Fish Department is required for any person who, for pay, aids or assists another in the taking of wildlife in Arizona. This license does not assure consumer satisfaction; potential clients should require references before engaging the services of a guide.

Guiding on USFS, BLM, or USFWS lands requires a special-use permit from the administering agency. It is the responsibility of the client to determine if their guide has the necessary special use permits.

Hunting Accidents

Any person, who while taking wildlife, is involved in a shooting accident resulting in an injury should render every possible assistance to the injured person. If the accident results in a fatality, he or she shall immediately report the accident to the nearest available law enforcement officer and render assistance as required. In any hunting accident, a report shall be filed with the Arizona Game and Fish Department within 10 days.

Carcass Disposal

Dispose of your carcass discreetly. The Department receives several calls each year reporting the dumping of lawfully taken game. If disposing a carcass in the field, either bury the carcass or place it under a tree away from camping areas and roads. If using a dumpster utilize trash bags or wrap the carcass to reduce the escape of offensive odors.

Road Damage by Motorized Vehicles

The U.S. Forest Service has expressed concern over damage to roads during hunting seasons. Since the majority of our big game habitat is found on Forest Service lands, the Department urges hunters to cooperate with the U.S. Forest Service to reduce road damage. The U.S. Forest Service may close roads during wet periods. During such periods, roads are closed to all users. Please cooperate and reduce road damage. Careless hunters can be fined for damages they

cause; assessment can be as high as \$5,000 per mile driven.

Taking Wildlife from a Vehicle

Includes: using a vehicle to hunt while traveling on or off road; and/or chasing wildlife with a vehicle, both of which are illegal. A vehicle is any device designed to carry a person: all terrain vehicles, utility terrain vehicles, all terrain cycle, pickup, automobile, motorcycle, aircraft, train, powerboat, sailboat, a boat under sail, or a floating object towed by a powerboat or sailboat. It is also illegal under state law to shoot from, across, or onto a roadway or railway. See A.R.S. 17-301B on page 110.

It is illegal to use an aircraft to pursue, shoot, hunt or otherwise take wildlife. See R12-4-319 on page 130.

Posting Signs

The U.S. Forest Service would like to remind you that posting or erecting any unauthorized paper notice, sign or similar matter on lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service is a violation of the Code of Federal Regulations.

When Is Hunting Legal?

SEASONS

Open hunting season dates are indicated in the Commission Orders governing the taking of each kind of big and small game (pages 37-66 and 78-93). Seasons for all wildlife are closed unless specifically opened by Commission Order. Special restrictions apply on state wildlife areas (see R12-4-802, page 131), as well as at certain times on parks, refuges and similar areas (see pages 96-98).

SHOOTING HOURS

Legal shooting time is during daylight hours (see sunrise-sunset chart on page 105) or as prescribed by the Commission (see individual Commission Orders). In general, if you can see well enough to shoot safely, you are legal. Taking wild animals or birds by moonlight or artificial light is illegal, except for raccoons, reptiles and other mammals as prescribed in R12-4-304, page 126. Other time requirements apply for migratory birds (see Migratory Bird Regulations).

Operation Game Thief: Wildlife's Answer to Dialing 911



www.azgfd.gov/thief

Poachers are a serious threat to Arizona's wildlife. They contribute nothing, yet every animal they take deprives hunters and non-hunters alike of wildlife recreational opportunities. Please report any poaching or other wildlife related violations to the Operation Game Thief hotline. The hotline operates 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. All calls will remain confidential upon request. Rewards of up to \$8,000 may be offered upon arrest in certain cases. Poachers are a "Mutiny on your Bounty" so please help us put them out of business.

POACHING IS A CRIME

– Minimum Rewards – For information which leads to an arrest.

\$350	Elk, bighorn sheep, eagles, buffalo, endangered species
\$250	Deer, antelope, bear, lion, turkey, javelina
Up to \$150	Beaver, geese, raptors, ducks, small game, nongame birds, fish

Rewards of up to \$8,000 can be offered for information about major violations, repeat offenders and commercial poachers. You need not appear in court or give out your name. Upon the arrest of a violator, a reward may be paid to you in such a manner that you will remain confidential.

– Other Rewards Of \$50–\$8,000 –

In addition, several sportsmen's groups provide reward monies which allow payment ranging from \$50 to \$8,000 in cases where under state law Operation Game Thief is not able to pay. Nevertheless, the rewards are for cases where the tip was provided originally through Operation Game Thief. Decisions on these are made in consultation with the boards of these organizations:

Arizona Antelope Foundation, Arizona Bowhunters Association, Arizona Elk Society, Tucson Rod and Gun Club, Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Arizona Bowhunters and Field Archers Association, Arizona Muzzleloading Association, Central Arizona Bow-hunters, Sportsman's Voice, Phoenix Varmint Callers, Arizona Trapper's Association, North American Bear Society, Sportsman's Gun Club, Tucson Chapter of Safari Club International, Phoenix Chapter of Safari Club International, Arizona Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and the Arizona Deer Association.

The Arizona Houndsmen have offered a reward up to \$5,000. Please see page 105.

License Revocations and Civil Assessments

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission has the authority to revoke an individual's privilege to take wildlife. It also can bring a civil action against the individual to reimburse the State for the value of any unlawfully taken wildlife. For repeat offenders, the Commission may revoke a person's license to take wildlife for the rest of his or her life. Civil values vary depending on the species of wildlife taken and the size. The current civil assessment for trophy class wildlife starts at \$8,000.



Operation Game Thief Needs Your Help

A majority of cases were initiated by concerned sportsmen, such as you, making a call on the Operation Game Thief hotline. You can and do make a difference! If you witness a violation the following information will assist us during our investigation.

What is the violation?

Where did it occur? Be as specific as possible. It is necessary that our officers return to the site.

When did it occur?

Specific violator/vehicle information. What did the individual look like and what were they wearing? What make, model, and color vehicle were they driving? Record the license plate if possible and, if they left, the direction of travel.

Your name and telephone number. Although this is optional, the number of cases that are actually prosecuted from anonymous tips is very low. This is simply because most people do not know the type of information needed to successfully charge and prosecute a violation. Our officers want to talk with you and will guarantee that no one knows your name. We also want to give you a reward for the information you provided if an arrest is made in the case. Each year we pay out thousands of dollars in reward payments to concerned sportsmen. During the past five years the Operation Game Thief Program has paid more than \$58,000 in rewards.

Do the right thing, CALL TODAY 1 (800) 352-0700

Off-Highway Vehicles

The use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs), specifically all-terrain vehicles (ATVs, UTVs), by hunters is growing. The Arizona Game and Fish Department's Off-Highway Vehicle Program promotes responsible and safe use of off-highway vehicles.

OHV rules and laws:

- No one may use a motor vehicle to assist in the taking of wildlife (except as permitted under the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit, R12-4-217).
- "An off-highway vehicle may only be used as a means of travel. It is unlawful to shoot from any OHV, to shoot upon, from, across or into a road or railway."
- It is unlawful to chase or harass any wildlife with a motorized vehicle.
- Cross-country travel is illegal in most areas, unless you are picking up legally taken big game. (Some areas do not allow even that.) Always check with the land management agency. Stay on roads and trails.
- As of Jan. 1, 2009, you are required to display the OHV Decal on your vehicle if it meets the two following requirements:
 1. It is made by the manufacturer primarily for travel over unimproved terrain **and**
 2. Has an unladen weight of 1,800 pounds or less(If you have a "street legal" vehicle and you meet these requirements you will also need the OHV decal)
- As of July 1, 2009, all OHVs are required to have a certificate of title. You can obtain a title from the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division (MVD).
- A U.S.DOT rated helmet that is properly fitted and fastened is required for those under 18 who operate or ride an ATV, UTV or ROV (ARS §28-964.A and 28-1179.B).
- All OHVs are required to have a USDA approved spark arrestor device.
- All OHVs are required to have either a muffler or other noise dissipative device that prevents sound above 96 decibels.
- It is unlawful to drive an OHV on roads, trails, routes or areas marked closed by any land management agency or private land owner.

- A person from out-of-state may operate an OHV in Arizona if all of the following apply:
 1. The person is not a resident of this state **and**
 2. The person owns the vehicle **and**
 3. The vehicle displays a current OHV sticker/decal/title/registration from the person's state of residence **and**
 4. the vehicle is not in this state for more than 30 consecutive days
- If you witness habitat damage or vandalism, report it at 1-800-VANDALS (826-3257).
- Call Operation Game Thief at 1-800-352-0700 to report wildlife-related violations.

Tips for OHV users:

- Always remember: Nature Rules! Stay on roads and trails.
- OHVs can severely damage wildlife habitat.
- Hunting from any vehicle is illegal and unsafe.
- OHV rules vary depending on which agency manages the land on which you are riding.
- It is your responsibility to know applicable OHV laws.
- All national forests are undergoing or have recently completed travel man-

agement planning, which will result in changes to motor vehicle access on national forest lands. The new travel management rules include restrictions on driving cross-country for game retrieval. If you have a permit to hunt in a Game Management Unit that includes one or more national forests, please contact the appropriate national forests(s) for updated information relative to motor vehicle use and motorized big game retrieval, before your hunt starts.

- Contact the appropriate land management agency to learn its off-highway vehicle rules and regulations. Phone numbers to federal and state land management agencies are on pages 96-98.

Firearms safety:

- When carrying a rifle or shotgun on an ATV, it should be unloaded and put in a case that is firmly attached to the vehicle.
- It is unsafe to carry a rifle or shotgun mounted on the handlebars of an ATV. The firearm could be wider than the ATV, causing an increase in the chance that the firearm could hit something and lead to loss of control.
- Don't forget T.A.B. +1 – Treat every gun as if it were loaded, **A**lways point the muzzle in a safe direction, and **B**e sure of your target and beyond. **+1** Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot.



Hunter Emergency Card

Should a family emergency occur while you are hunting or fishing, or events develop that prevent you from returning home on time, providing the following information can be critical. The information you provide on this form will assist the Department or Sheriff's Office in the event they should need to contact you in the field. Please fill out the form provided and leave it with a relative or friend.

Leave this card with a responsible adult such as an employer, spouse or friend. The County Sheriff is responsible for all rural search and rescue operations. Contact your local Sheriff's Department if you have an emergency that requires contacting a hunter or fisherman in the field, or if someone is overdue in returning home.

Hunters Need To Be Prepared

Failing to prepare can lead to injury and death. The cost of the average search and rescue mission can range from \$1,500 to \$4,000 and some searches that are extended operations or require a lot of air support may reach into the tens of thousands of dollars. Hunters should be prepared for any conditions they may face during their hunt. Below are some tips and a list of equipment that should help hunters have a more enjoyable trip.

Essentials

- Water
- Fire source
- Space blanket
- First aid kit
- Signal device
- Rope / shoe lace
- Clothing for both night and day
- Maps and navigational device
- Water purification tablets or device
- Extra Food
- Pocket knife
- Flashlight/ headlamp
- Cell phone
- Radio (FRS type radios)

Tips

- Planning ahead; inform family/friends of trip location & return time, be familiar with geographical area, environmental conditions (weather)
- Be prepared to spend the night out in the wild
- Have a plan to pack game out
- Do not depend on cell phones
- Be familiar with how to use maps and navigation device

THIS FORM MAY BE REPRODUCED

Hunt Number _____ Hunt Unit Number _____

Number of persons in hunt party _____

Camp GPS coordinates _____

Camp physical description (road numbers, tent, trailer, etc.) _____

Hunter #1 Name _____

Date of birth _____ Resident city _____

Cell phone number _____ Cell provider _____

Date/time Leaving _____

Date/Time Returning _____

Vehicle Make _____ Vehicle Model _____

Vehicle Color _____ Vehicle License _____

Medical/Health Issues _____

Hunter #2 Name _____

Date of birth _____ Resident city _____

Cell phone number _____ Cell provider _____

Date/time Leaving _____

Date/Time Returning _____

Vehicle Make _____ Vehicle Model _____

Vehicle Color _____ Vehicle License _____

Medical/Health Issues _____

Clinics, Raffles and Partnerships

Arizona Antelope Foundation

The Arizona Antelope Foundation will hold its annual Antelope Hunter Clinic Saturday, June 13, 2015, in the Quail Room of the Arizona Game and Fish Department headquarters in Phoenix. Topics will include optics, trophy evaluation, photography, taxidermy, practical field care and hunting tactics for firearms and archery. In addition to the formal presentations, representatives from the Arizona Game and Fish Department will be on hand to discuss hunting hotspots and access in the game management units drawn by the hunters in attendance – bring your hunting maps! Look for details at www.azantelope.org.

Arizona Big Game Super Raffle

Each year since 2006, the Az. Game and Fish Commission has awarded the AZBGSR (10) Special Big Game Tags, one each for the 10 Big Game species we have here in Arizona. The 365 day season dates are Aug. 15, 2015 through Aug. 14, 2016, and include most units statewide. The webcast drawing will be held at the Sportsmen's Open Forum being held at the Az. Game & Fish headquarters on July 23rd, 2015. The 2015 raffle also includes an awesome Optics Raffle, featuring more than \$13,750. in Swarovski optics equipment, as well as a trophy New Mexico Bull Elk hunt, sponsored by Mangas Outfitters. Since the raffle's inception in 2006, more than \$4.2 million has been raised, with 100% of these tag funds being used to complete wildlife projects here in the state of Arizona. Please visit the AZBGSR website at www.arizonabiggamesuperraffle.com to purchase tickets, or if you have any questions regarding ticket prices, deadlines, or the drawing time and location.

Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society Clinic

The Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society will hold its annual Hunters' Clinic on Sept. 26, 2015, at the Embassy Suites, 5001 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale. The clinic is provided free-of-charge by the Society as a public service. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the clinic will run from 7:30 a.m. to noon. The clinic is held to assist this year's sheep tag holders with their upcoming hunts. Hunting techniques, trophy identification, proper equipment, and hunter ethics are emphasized. The Arizona Game and Fish Department, Bureau of Land Management, and other land management agencies will have representatives in attendance to answer specific questions about bighorn sheep habitat and populations. The Department strongly encourages bighorn sheep tag holders to attend the clinic. For more information about bighorn sheep hunting and the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, or to register for the clinic, please visit our website at www.adbss.org

Arizona Elk Society Elk Hunting Clinic

The Arizona Elk Society will hold its Annual Elk Hunting Clinic July 25, 2015. For information visit www.arizonaelksociety.org or call 602-492-5319. This seminar will be full of great information about hunting elk with a bow or rifle, locating elk during the early and late seasons, effectively calling elk, as well as meat care, cape preparation, and proper use of optics to locate elk in the field. The clinic will be a great education tool for first time hunters and seasoned hunters. For information about the AES Elk Hunting Clinic as well as the Arizona Elk Society visit www.arizonaelksociety.org

Arizona Elk Society Unit 6A Junior Elk Hunters Camp

The Arizona Elk Society's Junior Elk Hunters Camp will be Oct. 8-11, 2015 in Unit 6A at the Happy Jack Lodge and RV Park in Happy Jack, AZ. This event is held every year in conjunction with the Unit 6A Juniors Elk Hunt. Thursday night the AES serves dinner to all youth hunters and their families, after which we have a seminar on hunter safety, finding elk, meat care and more. There will be lots of free give-a-ways for the youth hunters. Free lunch will be served Friday and Saturday. We will have help and some mentors in camp to help take the kids out if they need it. The AES offers support throughout the weekend for game locating and retrieval, as well as anything else the junior hunters need during the hunt. Check out this event and others at www.arizonaelksociety.org. Call 602-492-5319 for more information

Arizona Pointing Dog Club Clinic

The Arizona Pointing Dog Club will be holding a training clinic March 5, 2016. AZPDC provides a clinic each year, which is open to the general public free of charge. Experienced handlers will spend time on the various aspects of training a bird dog. They will demonstrate how to properly use specialized equipment along with methods on how to achieve desired behavior for your dog in the field. The clinic is open to all pointing dogs from puppies to fully finished dogs. AZPDC encourages and promotes youth participation. Family activities are provided for members throughout the year. A well trained dog is a great tool for conservation of game. Please visit the AZPDC website at <http://www.AZ-pdc.org> or contact Marty Elliott, AZPDC President at 602-541-8958 for more information regarding location, registration and time.

Desert Christian Archers Free Elk Seminar

The DCA will hold its annual free Elk Seminar on July 21, 2015 at Calvary Community Church, 12612 North Black Canyon Highway Phoenix, AZ 85029. The seminar will be led by Corky Richardson who is a PSE Pro and hunting guide of more than 30 years in Arizona. Learn tips, tactics and techniques for all aspects of elk hunting irregardless of skill level or weapon type! Awesome hunt auctions, many raffles & door prizes! Huge vendor area. Dinner being served before seminar. Free kids toys and fun for the whole family! Please visit our website at www.desertchristianarchers.org or email the DCA at info@desertchristianarchers.org

House Rock Buffalo Hunter Clinic

The Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD) is again partnering with buffalo hunting experts to host a House Rock Buffalo Hunter Clinic on August 8, 2015 in the Eagle room of the AGFD headquarters, 5000 W. Carefree Highway from 10 AM – 1 PM. The clinic is free of charge and will provide buffalo hunters drawn for the fall hunts with valuable information to prepare you for what to expect on House Rock buffalo hunts. All hunters drawn for the 2015 House Rock fall buffalo hunts are strongly encouraged to attend. Buffalo hunter packets, free non-lead ammo handouts and/or coupons will be given to each hunter and presentations will be given on aging/sexing buffalo, hunting locations/strategies, scouting, field care, an opportunity to exchange contact information with other hunters and a question & answer period. For more information, contact Carl Lutch, Wildlife Program Manager-Flagstaff at 928-214-1242 or clutch@azgfd.gov.

Stamp Order Form

There is now a single State Migratory Bird Stamp. The only state stamp that will be required is the Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp, which is required (along with your hunting license) for the taking of migratory birds (such

as doves, band-tailed pigeons), including waterfowl (such as ducks, geese). Keep in mind that individuals age 16 and older who wish to hunt waterfowl will still be required under federal law to also purchase the Federal

Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp (i.e., Federal Duck Stamp). The Arizona Migratory Bird Stamp is valid July 1 through June 30. This stamp is included with the Youth Combo Hunt/Fish license. The stamp costs \$5.

Form may be photocopied.

2015-2016 ARIZONA MIGRATORY WATERFOWL STAMP HARVEST INFORMATION

MO DY YR
Date Issued

Name: Mr/Ms/Mrs
(Circle One)

Last Suffix First MI

Address

Street Address or Box Number

City State Zip Code

Date of Birth:

MO DY YR

Last season did you hunt?

Yes No

Coots/Snipe

() ()

Moorhens

() ()

Will you hunt migratory birds this season?

() ()

Will you hunt band-tailed pigeons this season?

() ()

If you hunted these birds last season, about how many did you bag?

	Did Not Hunt	None	1-10	11-30	31+
Ducks	()	()	()	()	()
Geese	()	()	()	()	()
Doves	()	()	()	()	()

TO ORDER BY MAIL: Mail this form to any Arizona Game and Fish Department office (do not include with a hunt permit-tag application). Addresses may be found on page 5 of this publication. Please allow 2-3 weeks for delivery. You must include a check or money order in the amount of \$5. This stamp will be available at all license dealers beginning July 1, 2015.

Prescribed Fire and Your Hunt



You may encounter wildland or prescribed fire while hunting in National Forests. Managers are using prescribed fire as a management tool to keep forest fuels at safe levels and to improve forest health and wildlife habitat. **Check with the appropriate forest before your hunt to be aware of their burning plans in your hunt area.**

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests (928) 333-4301
Coconino National Forest (928) 527-3600
Coronado National Forest (520) 388-8300

Kaibab National Forest (928) 635-8200
Prescott National Forest (928) 443-8000
Tonto National Forest (602) 225-5200

Sunrise and Sunset

Sunrise and Sunset July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

Times shown are for Phoenix, Arizona. Figure up to nine minutes earlier for eastern areas, nine minutes later for western areas.

DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET
July 1	5:22	7:42	Sept. 30	6:22	6:14	Dec. 30	7:32	5:30	Mar. 31	6:16	6:48
July 8	5:25	7:41	Oct. 7	6:27	6:05	Jan. 6	7:33	5:35	April 7	6:07	6:54
July 15	5:29	7:39	Oct. 14	6:32	5:56	Jan. 13	7:33	5:41	April 14	5:59	6:59
July 22	5:34	7:35	Oct. 21	6:38	5:48	Jan. 20	7:31	5:48	April 21	5:50	7:04
July 29	5:39	7:30	Oct. 28	6:43	5:40	Jan. 27	7:28	5:55	April 28	5:43	7:09
Aug. 5	5:44	7:25	Nov. 4	6:50	5:34	Feb. 3	7:23	6:01	May 5	5:36	7:15
Aug. 12	5:48	7:18	Nov. 11	6:56	5:28	Feb. 10	7:17	6:08	May 12	5:30	7:20
Aug. 19	5:53	7:10	Nov. 18	7:02	5:24	Feb. 17	7:11	6:14	May 19	5:25	7:25
Aug. 26	5:58	7:01	Nov. 25	7:09	5:22	Feb. 24	7:03	6:21	May 26	5:21	7:30
Sept. 2	6:03	6:52	Dec. 2	7:15	5:20	Mar. 3	6:53	6:27	June 2	5:19	7:34
Sept. 9	6:08	6:43	Dec. 9	7:21	5:21	Mar. 10	6:44	6:33	June 9	5:18	7:38
Sept. 16	6:12	6:33	Dec. 16	7:25	5:22	Mar. 17	6:35	6:38	June 16	5:18	7:40
Sept. 23	6:17	6:24	Dec. 23	7:29	5:25	Mar. 24	6:26	6:43	June 23	5:20	7:42
									June 30	5:22	7:42

Jaguars: Attention Mountain Lion Hunters

Jaguars are listed as endangered in the U.S. under the Endangered Species Act. If, when using dogs to tree mountain lions, a jaguar is inadvertently chased and/or treed by dogs, the dogs must be called off the trail upon realization that a jaguar is being chased. Please report any jaguar sighting as soon as possible by calling (623) 236-7201.

Jaguar tracks are similar to mountain lion tracks. Front feet of the jaguar are larger than the hind feet (both pads and toes) and tend to be wider than mountain lion feet (measuring up to six inches). There is overlap in size between the two species however, therefore the tracks are often difficult to distinguish. Scats are also similar.

The Arizona Houndsmen have offered a reward of up to \$5,000 to any individual who provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who intentionally kills a jaguar. If you believe that you have witnessed a violation, please notify Arizona Game and Fish Department (Operation Game Thief) at 1 (800) 352-0700.



More Information to Know Before You Go

Contact the Department About Damaged Water Developments

For five decades, wildlife water developments (catchments) have been providing a reliable source of water for game and nongame species throughout Arizona.

Water developments range from bedrock tinajas (potholes) modified to increase storage or reduce evaporation, to engineered designs with precipitation collection aprons or dams, storage tanks, or troughs. Many of these developments are maintained by the Department, however many also are managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, the military, and others.

Should you notice a wildlife water development leaking, damaged, or in need of repair, please contact the nearest Department office at your earliest convenience. If possible, please record the GPS coordinates of the water development site or provide a simple directional map.

- There has been a tremendous increase in the number of cameras, blinds, and tree stands at Department facilities including water developments. Individuals placing cameras, blinds, tree stands, or other personal property on Department facilities do so at their own risk.
- The Department is not liable for damage or theft to property left at Department facilities. For questions call 866-950-2433.

Thank you in advance for your support of Arizona's wildlife.

Common Violations While Hunting Big Game, Small Game And Migratory Birds

It is each hunter's responsibility to protect our hunting heritage. You can help ensure responsible hunting by reporting violations to our Operation Game Thief hotline 1 (800) 352-0700. Unfortunate incidents and oversights do occur. If you should find yourself in violation of any laws or rules while hunting please contact the Operation Game Thief hotline to report it. It certainly is more beneficial to report a violation yourself than have a Game Ranger discover it in the field, or have another party report it, and certainly more understandable to the judicial system and the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.

Attracting Wildlife with Unlawful Measures

(R12-4-303 A 2 c) Page 126

Using any lure, attractant, or cover scent containing any cervid (deer) urine to take wildlife is unlawful.

R12-4-303 4, page 126

Using edible or ingestible substances, other than water or salt based products produced for the livestock industry, to aid in the taking of big game is unlawful.

Take Wildlife Without A License

(A.R.S. 17-331) Page 111

In order to take any wildlife in Arizona, you must have a current hunting license in your possession. You should check your license every time that you go hunting, fishing or collecting. Also, you should sign your license and tag before hunting.

Possess Unlawfully Taken Wildlife

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 16) Page 111

Any wildlife that is unlawfully taken, may not be legally possessed. So even though you may not have been involved in the illegal taking of wildlife, you cannot legally possess unlawfully taken wildlife or parts thereof.

Exceed Bag and/or Possession Limit

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 14 and 15) Page 111

Wildlife may only be taken as prescribed by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission Orders for bag and possession limits. Consult Commission Orders for specifics.

Improper Tagging of Big Game

(R12-4-302) Page 125

All big game taken shall be immediately tagged in accordance with the instructions on the back of the permit-tag and pursuant to Commission Rule, R12-4-302.

Obtain License or Permit By Fraud

(A.R.S. 17-341) Page 113

"Resident" means a person who is domiciled (claims the state of Arizona as their true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence, see pages 14 and 110) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction. Or is a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty and stationed in: (i) This state for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the date of applying for a license, permit, tag, or stamp; (ii) Another state or country but who lists this state as their home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag, or stamp.

Take Wildlife During Closed Season, After Legal Hours or With Aid of Artificial Light

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 11) Page 111, (A.R.S. 17-301 A) Page 110

Wildlife may only be taken during times prescribed by the Commission and closed season shall be in effect unless opened by Commission Order. Review the Commission orders related to the species you are pursuing before leaving home. The use of spotlights attached to a vehicle is illegal if you have any weapons in your vehicle.

During certain mountain lion and coyote seasons it is lawful to use artificial light that is unattached to a vehicle. Check the Commission Orders for more details. If fear of theft is a concern, you should disable your firearm or bow and make it obvious that it is incapable of firing. Examples are leaving all ammunition, arrows and/or barrels or bolts in camp. Hunters cannot use lighted sight pins or other artificial light sources to extend legal shooting hours.

Take/Hunt From A Vehicle

(A.R.S. 17-301 B, R12-4-319) Pages 110 and 130

No person may take wildlife from a motor vehicle (including watercraft and aircraft), except as permitted by Commission Order, and under the provisions of the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit Commission Rule (R12-4-217). "Take," as defined by law, includes pursuing, shooting, hunting and killing wildlife. You are unlawfully using a vehicle to take wildlife if you intentionally drive around until you see the animal you wish to harvest and then make an attempt to take. "Road hunting" is illegal; so is pursuing wildlife with a vehicle, chasing or heading off moving wildlife with a vehicle, and driving off-road to get closer to wildlife. You do not have to shoot from the vehicle to be in violation.

Take Wildlife With Prohibited Device or By An Unlawful Method

(A.R.S. 17-301 A) Page 110, (A.R.S. 17-309 A) Page 111
(R12-4-303) and (R12-4-304) Page 126

Wildlife may only be taken by a device or method as prescribed by the Commission. It is unlawful to take migratory game birds

with an unplugged shotgun capable of holding more than three rounds.

Shoot Too Close To An Occupied Building or Residence

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 4) Page 111

Without the resident’s permission, you may not discharge a firearm within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence while taking wildlife. All structures including barns, sheds and cabins should be assumed occupied. This is one of the most common violations during dove and quail seasons.

Littering While Taking Wildlife

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 9) Page 111

All hunters are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. All camp areas should be left clean. Shell casings and associated debris constitute litter and should be picked up and packed out. Also, all hunters are responsible for the proper care and disposal of their wildlife carcasses. Carcass debris should be disposed of according to local jurisdiction regulation. Please check with your local authorities for specific regulations and instructions.

Shoot Across Road

(A.R.S. 17-301 B) Page 110

No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device including bow and arrow upon, from, across, or into a maintained road or railway. It is advisable not to shoot from or across any road. Again, this is one of the most common violations during the dove season.

License Revocation

(A.R.S. 17-340) Page 112

You can have your license privileges revoked by the Commission for up to five years for a conviction of:

- unlawful taking, selling, bartering or possession of wildlife
- careless use of firearms resulting in human injury or death
- destroying or injuring livestock or crops while hunting or fishing
- acts of vandalism or littering while hunting or fishing
- knowingly allowing another person to use your big game tag
- unlawful entry on to closed area for purposes of taking wildlife
- unlawful posting of state or federal lands
- license fraud
- unlawful use of aircraft to take wildlife
- waste of game meat
- guiding without a license

Additional convictions may result in license privileges being revoked for longer periods up to permanently.

Civil Liability

(A.R.S. 17-314) Page 111

Under state law anyone who is found to have unlawfully wounded or killed, or unlawfully possessed any of the following wildlife may be subject to civil action by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission in the form of recovery of the following minimum sums (updated annually factoring in the current Consumer Price Index):

For each turkey or javelina.....	\$500.00
For each bear, mountain lion, antelope or deer, other than trophy	\$1,500.00
For each elk or eagle, other than trophy or endangered species	\$2,500.00
For each predatory, fur-bearing or nongame animal	\$250.00
For each small game or aquatic wildlife animal	\$50.00
For each trophy or endangered species animal	\$8,000.00

Legal Methods of Take – Big Game

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

LEGAL BIG GAME SPECIES	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rimfire	.17 Magnum and .22 Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Pursuit with Dogs	Pre-charged Pneumatics .35 and larger
ANTELOPE SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
BEAR – Fall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓
BEAR – Spring (no dogs)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
BIGHORN SHEEP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
BUFFALO – House Rock*	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓							
BUFFALO – Raymond	✓		✓	✓										
DEER SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
ELK SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
JAVELINA SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				✓
Archery Only							✓							
Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓							
MOUNTAIN LION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓
TURKEY Fall and Spring						✓	✓					✓		
Archery Only							✓							

* Refer to R12-4-304 for caliber and other specs

Legal Methods of Take – Other Wildlife Species

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

OTHER LEGAL WILDLIFE SPECIES	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rimfire	.17 Magnum and .22 Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Falconry	Pneumatic Weapons	Slingshots	Pursuit with Dogs	Trapping
BADGER	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
BLUE GROUSE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	
BOBCAT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	
COATI	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
COTTONTAIL RABBIT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
COYOTE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
CROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
EUROPEAN STARLING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FOXES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
HOUSE SPARROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
JACKRABBITS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PHEASANT						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	
QUAIL						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	
RACCOON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
RINGTAIL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
RODENTS (excluding beaver, muskrats, tree squirrels & porcupines)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SKUNKS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
SQUIRREL General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Archery Only							✓									✓	

A.R.S. 17-101

Definitions

A. In this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Angling" means the taking of fish by one line and not to exceed two hooks, by one line and one artificial lure, which may have attached more than one hook, or by one line and not to exceed two artificial flies or lures.
2. "Bag limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount, of wildlife that may lawfully be taken by any one person during a specified period of time.
3. "Closed season" means the time during which wildlife may not be lawfully taken.
4. "Commission" means the Arizona game and fish commission.
5. "Department" means the Arizona game and fish department.
6. "Device" means any net, trap, snare, salt lick, scaffold, deadfall, pit, explosive, poison or stupefying substance, crossbow, firearm, bow and arrow, or other implement used for taking wildlife. Device does not include a raptor or any equipment used in the sport of falconry.
7. "Domicile" means a person's true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence. Proof of domicile in this state may be shown as prescribed by rule by the commission.
8. "Falconry" means the sport of hunting or taking quarry with a trained raptor.
9. "Fishing" means to lure, attract or pursue aquatic wildlife in such a manner that the wildlife may be captured or killed.
10. "Fur dealer" means any person engaged in the business of buying for resale the raw pelts or furs of wild mammals.
11. "Guide" means a person who does any of the following:
 - (a) Advertises for guiding services.
 - (b) Holds himself out to the public for hire as a guide.
 - (c) Is employed by a commercial enterprise as a guide.
 - (d) Accepts compensation in any form commensurate with the market value in this state for guiding services in exchange for aiding, assisting, directing, leading or instructing a person in the field to locate and take wildlife.
 - (e) Is not a landowner or lessee who, without full fair market compensation, allows access to the landowner's or lessee's property and directs and advises a person in taking wildlife.
12. "License year" means the twelvemonth period between January 1 and December 31, inclusive.
13. "Nonresident", for the purposes of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp, means a citizen of the United States or an alien who is not a resident.
14. "Open season" means the time during which wildlife may be lawfully taken.
15. "Possession limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount of wildlife, which may be possessed at one time by any one person.
16. "Resident", for the purposes of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp, means a person who is:
 - (a) A member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty and stationed in:
 - (i) This state for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the date of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp.
 - (ii) Another state or country but who lists this state as their home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp.
 - (b) Domiciled in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp and who does not claim residency privileges for any purpose in any other state or jurisdiction.

17. "Road" means any maintained rightofway for public conveyance.
 18. "Statewide" means all lands except those areas lying within the boundaries of state and federal refuges, parks and monuments, unless specifically provided differently by commission order.
 19. "Take" means pursuing, shooting, hunting, fishing, trapping, killing, capturing, snaring or netting wildlife or the placing or using of any net or other device or trap in a manner that may result in the capturing or killing of wildlife.
 20. "Taxidermist" means any person who engages for hire in the mounting, refurbishing, maintaining, restoring or preserving of any display specimen.
 21. "Traps" or "trapping" means taking wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand.
 22. "Wild" means, in reference to mammals and birds, those species that are normally found in a state of nature.
 23. "Wildlife" means all wild mammals, wild birds and the nests or eggs thereof, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans and fish, including their eggs or spawn.
 24. "Zoo" means a commercial facility open to the public where the principal business is holding wildlife in captivity for exhibition purposes.
- B. The following definitions of wildlife shall apply:
1. Aquatic wildlife are all fish, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans and softshelled turtles.
 2. Game mammals are deer, elk, bear, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), mountain lion, tree squirrel and cottontail rabbit.
 3. Big game are wild turkey, deer, elk, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), bear and mountain lion.
 4. "Trophy" means:
 - (a) A mule deer buck with at least four points on one antler, not including the eye-guard point.
 - (b) A whitetail deer buck with at least three points on one antler, not including the eye-guard point.
 - (c) A bull elk with at least six points on one antler, including the eyeguard point and the brow tine point.
 - (d) A pronghorn (antelope) buck with at least one horn exceeding or equal to fourteen inches in total length.
 - (e) Any bighorn sheep.
 - (f) Any bison (buffalo).
 5. Small game are cottontail rabbits, tree squirrels, upland game birds and migratory game birds.
 6. Fur-bearing animals are muskrats, raccoons, otters, weasels, bobcats, beavers, badgers and ringtail cats.
 7. Predatory animals are foxes, skunks, coyotes and bobcats.
 8. Nongame animals are all wildlife except game mammals, game birds, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals and aquatic wildlife.
 9. Upland game birds are quail, partridge, grouse and pheasants.
 10. Migratory game birds are wild waterfowl, including ducks, geese and swans; sandhill cranes; all coots, all gallinules, common snipe, wild doves and bandtail pigeons.
 11. Nongame birds are all birds except upland game birds and migratory game birds.
 12. Raptors are birds that are members of the order of falconiformes or strigiformes and include falcons, hawks, owls, eagles and other birds that the commission may classify as raptors.
 13. Game fish are trout of all species, bass of all species, catfish of all species, sunfish of all species, northern pike, walleye and yellow perch.
 14. Nongame fish are all the species of fish except game fish.

15. Trout means all species of the family salmonidae, including grayling.

A.R.S. 17-231

General powers and duties of the commission

A. The commission shall:

3. Establish hunting, trapping and fishing rules and prescribe the manner and methods that may be used in taking wildlife, but the commission shall not limit or restrict the magazine capacity of any authorized firearm.

A.R.S. 17-251

Possession or use of a firearm silencer or muffler while hunting; definition

- A. The commission shall not adopt or enforce any rule that prohibits the lawful possession or use of a firearm silencer or muffler, including for the taking of wildlife or while hunting.
- B. This section does not limit the authority of the commission to prescribe the type and caliber of firearm or ammunition that may be used for taking wildlife.
- C. For the purposes of this section, "firearm silencer or muffler" means any device that is designed, made or adapted to muffle the report of a firearm.

A.R.S. 17-301

Times when wildlife may be taken; exceptions; methods of taking

- A. A person may take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, only during daylight hours unless otherwise prescribed by the commission. A person shall not take any species of wildlife by the aid or with the use of a jacklight, other artificial light, or illegal device, except as provided by the commission.
- B. A person shall not take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, or discharge a firearm or shoot any other device from a motor vehicle, including an automobile, aircraft, train or powerboat, or from a sailboat, boat under sail, or a floating object towed by powerboat or sailboat except as expressly permitted by the commission. No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device upon, from, across or into a road or railway.
- C. Fish may be taken only by angling unless otherwise provided by the commission. The line shall be constantly attended. In every case the hook, fly or lure shall be used in such manner that the fish voluntarily take or attempt to take it in their mouths.
- D. It shall be unlawful to take wildlife with any leghold trap, any instant kill body gripping design trap, or by a poison or a snare on any public land, including state owned or state leased land, lands administered by the United States forest service, the federal bureau of land management, the national park service, the United States department of defense, the state parks board and any county or municipality. This subsection shall not prohibit:
1. The use of the devices prescribed in this subsection by federal, state, county, city, or other local departments of health which have jurisdiction in the geographic area of such use, for the purpose of protection from or surveillance for threats to human health or safety.
 2. The taking of wildlife with firearms, with fishing equipment, with archery equipment, or other implements in hand as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission, including but not limited to the taking of wildlife pursuant to a hunting or fishing license issued by the Arizona game and fish department.
 3. The use of snares, traps not designed to kill, or nets to take wildlife for scientific research projects, sport falconry, or for relocation of the wildlife as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission or the government of the United States or both.

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4. The use of poisons or nets by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to take or manage aquatic wildlife as determined and regulated by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.
5. The use of traps for rodent control or poisons for rodent control for the purpose of controlling wild and domestic rodents as otherwise allowed by the laws of the state of Arizona, excluding any fur-bearing animals as defined in section 17-101.

A.R.S. 17-301.01

Protection from wildlife

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, any person may take wildlife in self-defense or in defense of another person if it is immediately necessary to protect oneself or to protect the other person.
- B. A person shall notify the department within five days after taking wildlife under this section. No animal or part of an animal taken pursuant to this section may be retained, sold or removed from the site without authorization from the department.

A.R.S. 17-303

Taking or driving wildlife

It is unlawful for any person, except by commission order, to enter upon a game refuge or other area closed to hunting, trapping or fishing and take, drive or attempt to drive wildlife from such areas.

A.R.S. 17-304

Prohibition by landowner on hunting; posting; exception

- A. Landowners or lessees of private land who desire to prohibit hunting, fishing or trapping on their lands without their written permission shall post such lands closed to hunting, fishing or trapping using notices or signboards.
- B. State or federal lands including those under lease may not be posted except by consent of the commission.
- C. The notices or signboards shall meet all of the following criteria:
 1. Be not less than eight inches by eleven inches with plainly legible wording in capital and bold-faced lettering at least one inch high.
 2. Contain the words “no hunting”, “no trapping” or “no fishing” either as a single phrase or in any combination.
 3. Be conspicuously placed on a structure or post at least four feet above ground level at all points of vehicular access, at all property or fence corners and at intervals of not more than one-quarter mile along the property boundary, except that a post with one hundred square inches or more of orange paint may serve as the interval notices between property or fence corners and points of vehicular access. The orange paint shall be clearly visible and shall cover the entire aboveground surface of the post facing outward and on both lateral sides from the closed area.
- D. The entry of any person for the taking of wildlife shall not be grounds for an action for criminal trespassing pursuant to section 13-1502 unless either:
 1. The land has been posted pursuant to this section and the notices and signboards also contain the words “no trespassing”.
 2. The person knowingly remains unlawfully on any real property after a reasonable request to leave by the owner or any other person having lawful control over the property or the person knowingly disregards reasonable notice prohibiting trespass at the person’s entry to any real property.

A.R.S. 17-305

Possession of other weapons while hunting; violation; classification

- A. The possession of legal weapons, devices, ammunition or magazines, which are not authorized to take wildlife, is not prohibited while hunting if the weapon or device is not used to take wildlife.
- B. Taking wildlife by using a weapon, device, ammunition, or magazine that is not authorized to take wildlife is a class 1 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-308

Unlawful camping

It is unlawful for a person to camp within one-fourth mile of a natural water hole containing water or a man-made watering facility containing water in such a place that wildlife or domestic stock will be denied access to the only reasonably available water.

A.R.S. 17-309

Violations; classification

- A. Unless otherwise prescribed by this title, it is unlawful for a person to:
 1. Violate any provision of this title or any rule adopted pursuant to this title.
 2. Take, possess, transport, buy, sell or offer or expose for sale wildlife except as expressly permitted by this title.
 3. Destroy, injure or molest livestock, growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
 4. Discharge a firearm while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident.
 5. Take a game bird, game mammal or game fish and knowingly permit an edible portion thereof to go to waste, except as provided in section 17-302.
 6. Take big game, except bear or mountain lion, with the aid of dogs.
 7. Make more than one use of a shipping permit or coupon issued by the commission.
 8. Obtain a license or take wildlife during the period for which the person’s license has been revoked or suspended or the person has been denied a license.
 9. Litter hunting and fishing areas while taking wildlife.
 10. Take wildlife during the closed season.
 11. Take wildlife in an area closed to the taking of that wildlife.
 12. Take wildlife with an unlawful device.
 13. Take wildlife by an unlawful method.
 14. Take wildlife in excess of the bag limit.
 15. Possess wildlife in excess of the possession limit.
 16. Possess or transport any wildlife or parts of the wildlife that was unlawfully taken.
 17. Possess or transport the carcass of big game without a valid tag being attached.
 18. Use the edible parts of any game mammal or any part of any game bird or nongame bird as bait.
 19. Possess or transport the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife that cannot be identified as to species and legality.
 20. Take game animals, game birds and game fish with an explosive compound, poison or any other deleterious substances.
 21. Import into this state or export from this state the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife unlawfully taken or possessed.
- B. Unless a different or other penalty or punishment is specifically prescribed a person who violates any provision of this title, or who violates or fails to comply with a lawful order or rule of the commission, is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

- C. A person who knowingly takes any big game during a closed season or who knowingly possesses, transports or buys any big game that was unlawfully taken during a closed season is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.
- D. A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who knowingly:
 1. Barter, sells or offers for sale any big game or parts of big game taken unlawfully.
 2. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife unlawfully taken during a closed season.
 3. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife imported or purchased in violation of this title or a lawful rule of the commission.
 4. Assists another person for monetary gain with the unlawful taking of big game.
 5. Takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation under section 17-340, subsection B, paragraph 3.
- E. A peace officer who knowingly fails to enforce a lawful rule of the commission or this title is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-314

Civil liability for illegally taking or wounding wildlife; recovery of damages

- A. The commission or any officer charged with enforcement of the laws relating to game and fish, if so directed by the commission, may bring a civil action in the name of the state against any person unlawfully taking, wounding or killing, or unlawfully in possession of, any of the following wildlife, or part thereof, and seek to recover the following minimum sums as damage:
 1. For each turkey or javelina \$500.00
 2. For each bear, mountain lion, antelope or deer, other than trophy \$1,500.00
 3. For each elk or eagle, other than trophy or endangered species \$2,500.00
 4. For each predatory, fur-bearing or nongame animal \$250.00
 5. For each small game or aquatic wildlife animal \$50.00
 6. For each trophy or endangered species animal \$8,000.00
- B. No verdict or judgment recovered by the state in such action shall be for less than the sum fixed in this section. The minimum sum that the commission may seek to recover as damages from a person pursuant to this section may be doubled for a second verdict or judgment and tripled for a third verdict or judgment. The action for damages may be joined with an action for possession, and recovery had for the possession as well as the damages.
- C. The pendency or determination of an action for damages or payment of a judgment, or the pendency or determination of a criminal prosecution for the same taking, wounding, killing or possession, is not a bar to the other, nor does either affect the right of seizure under any other provision of the laws relating to game and fish.
- D. All monies recovered pursuant to this section shall be placed in the wildlife theft prevention fund.

A.R.S. 17-331

License or proof of purchase required; violation of child support order

- A. Except as provided by this title, rules prescribed by the commission or commission order, a person shall not take any wildlife in this state without a valid license or a commission approved proof of purchase. The person shall carry the license or proof of purchase and produce it on request to any game ranger, wildlife manager or peace officer.
- B. A certificate of noncompliance with a child support order issued pursuant to section 25-518 invalidates any license or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife in this state and prohibits the support obligor from applying for any additional licenses issued by an automated drawing system under this title.

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C. On receipt of a certificate of compliance with a child support order from the court pursuant to section 25-518 and without further action:

1. Any license or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife that was previously invalidated by a certificate of noncompliance and that has not otherwise expired shall be reinstated.
2. Any ineligibility to apply for any license issued by an automated drawing system shall be removed.

A.R.S. 17-332

Form and contents of license; duplicate licenses; transfer or licenses prohibition; exemptions; period of validity

A. Licenses and license materials shall be prepared by the department and may be furnished and charged to dealers authorized to issue licenses. The license shall be issued in the name of the department. Except as provided by rule adopted by the commission, each license shall be signed by the licensee in ink on the face of the license and any license not signed is invalid. With each license authorizing the taking of big game the department shall provide such tags as the commission may prescribe, which the licensee shall attach to the big game animal in such manner as prescribed by the commission. The commission shall limit the number of big game permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing to ten per cent or fewer of the total hunt permits, but in extraordinary circumstances, at a public meeting the commission may increase the number of permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing if, on separate roll call votes, the members of the commission unanimously:

1. Support the finding of a specifically described extraordinary circumstance.
2. Adopt the increased number of nonresident permits for the hunt.

B. The commission shall issue with each license a shipping permit entitling the holder of the license to a shipment of game or fish as provided by article 4 of this chapter.

C. It is unlawful, except as provided by the commission, for any person to apply for or obtain in any one license year more than one original license permitting the taking of big game. A duplicate license or tag may be issued by the department or by a license dealer if the person requesting such license or tag furnishes the information deemed necessary by the commission.

D. No license or permit is transferable, nor shall such license or permit be used by anyone except the person to whom such license or permit was issued, except that:

1. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph, including an application process for a qualified organization, to allow a person to transfer the person's big game permit or tag to a qualified organization for use by:
 - (a) A minor child who has a life-threatening medical condition or by a minor child who has a permanent physical disability. If a physically disabled child is under fourteen years of age, the child must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
 - (b) A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has a service-connected disability. For the purposes of this paragraph:
 - (i) "Disability" means a permanent physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities requiring the assistance of another person or a mechanical device for physical mobility.
 - (ii) "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life-threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities or to veterans with service-connected disabilities.

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2. A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game pursuant to the following requirements:

- (a) The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the commission.
 - (b) The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field or, if a grandparent allows a minor grandchild to use the grandparent's permit or tag, the grandparent, the parent or the child's guardian must accompany the child in the field.
 - (c) The child must possess a valid hunting license and, if under fourteen years of age, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
 - (d) Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit.
- E. No refunds may be made for the purchase of a license or permit.
- F. Licenses are valid for a license year as prescribed in rule by the commission. Lifetime licenses and benefactor licenses are valid for the lifetime of the licensee..

A.R.S. 17-333

License classifications; fees; annual report; review

A. Through July 1, 2019, the commission shall prescribe by rule license classifications that are valid for the taking or handling of wildlife, fees for licenses, permits, tags and stamps and application fees.

B. The commission may temporarily reduce or waive any fee prescribed by rule under this title on the recommendation of the director.

C. All monies collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the game and fish fund established by section 17-261.

D. On or before December 31 of each year, the commission shall submit an annual report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the chairperson of the senate natural resources and rural affairs committee and the chairperson of the house of representatives energy, environment and natural resources committee, or their successor committees, that includes information relating to license classifications, fees for licenses, permits, tags and stamps and any other fees that the commission prescribes by rule. On or before July 1, 2019 and each fifth year thereafter, the joint legislative audit committee shall assign a committee of reference to hold a public hearing and review the annual report submitted by the commission.

A.R.S. 17-333.02

Trapping license; education; exemption

A. A person applying for a trapping license must successfully complete a trapping education course conducted or approved by the department before being issued a trapping license. The department shall conduct or approve an educational course of instruction in responsible trapping and environmental ethics. The course shall include instruction on the history of trapping, trapping ethics, trapping laws, techniques in safely releasing nontarget animals, trapping equipment, wildlife management, proper catch handling, trapper health and safety and considerations and ethics intended to avoid conflicts with other public land users. A person must pass a written examination to successfully complete the course. The department shall not approve a trapping education course conducted by any person, agency, corporation or other organization for which a fee is charged greater than an amount the commission determines per person.

B. A person who is born before January 1, 1967 or who has completed, from and after December 31, 1987 and before March 1, 1993, the voluntary trapper education course on responsible trapping conducted in cooperation with the Arizona game and fish department is exempt from subsection A of this section.

A.R.S. 17-335

Blind resident; fishing license exemption

A blind resident may fish without a license and is entitled to the same privileges as the holder of a valid license.

A.R.S. 17-336

Complimentary and honorary youth licenses

A. The commission may issue a complimentary license to:

1. A pioneer who is seventy years of age or older and who has been a resident of this state for twenty-five or more consecutive years immediately preceding application for the license. The pioneer license is valid for the lifetime of the licensee, and the commission shall not require renewal of the license.
2. A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has been a resident of this state for one year or more immediately preceding application for the license and who is receiving compensation from the United States government for permanent service connected disabilities rated as one hundred per cent disabling.

B. The commission may issue a youth license for a reduced fee, as prescribed by the commission, to a resident of this state who is a member of the boy scouts of America who has attained the rank of eagle scout or a member of the girl scouts of the USA who has received the gold award.

A.R.S. 17-340

Revocation, suspension and denial of privilege of taking wildlife; notice; violation; classification

A. On conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile as defined in section 8-201 and in addition to other penalties prescribed by this title, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend a license issued to any person under this title and deny the person the right to secure another license to take or possess wildlife for a period of not to exceed five years for:

1. Unlawful taking, unlawful selling, unlawful offering for sale, unlawful bartering or unlawful possession of wildlife.
2. Careless use of firearms which has resulted in the injury or death of any person.
3. Destroying, injuring or molesting livestock, or damaging or destroying growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
4. Littering public hunting or fishing areas while taking wildlife.
5. Knowingly allowing another person to use the person's big game tag, except as provided by section 17-332, subsection D.
6. A violation of section 17-303, 17-304 or 17-341 or section 17-362, subsection A.
7. A violation of section 17-309, subsection A, paragraph 5 involving a waste of edible portions other than meat damaged due to the method of taking as follows:
 - (a) Upland game birds, migratory game birds and wild turkey: breast.
 - (b) Deer, elk, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo) and peccary (javelina): hind quarters, front quarters and loins.
 - (c) Game fish: fillets of the fish.
8. A violation of section 17-309, subsection A, paragraph 1 involving any unlawful use of aircraft to take, assist in taking, harass, chase, drive, locate or assist in locating wildlife.

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B. On conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile and in addition to any other penalties prescribed by this title:

1. For a first conviction or a first adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife for a period of up to five years.
 2. For a second conviction or a second adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife for a period of up to ten years.
 3. For a third conviction or a third adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife permanently.
- C. A person who is assessed civil damages under section 17-314 shall not apply for or obtain a license during the pendency of an action for damages, while measures are pursued to collect damages or prior to the full payment of damages.
- D. On receiving a report from the licensing authority of a state which is a party to the wildlife violator compact, adopted under chapter 5 of this title, that a resident of this state has failed to comply with the terms of a wildlife citation, the commission, after a public hearing, may suspend any license issued under this title to take wildlife until the licensing authority furnishes satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the wildlife citation.
- E. In carrying out this section the director shall notify the licensee, within one hundred eighty days after conviction, to appear and show cause why the license should not be revoked, suspended or denied. The notice may be served personally or by certified mail sent to the address appearing on the license.
- F. The commission shall furnish to license dealers the names and addresses of persons whose licenses have been revoked or suspended, and the periods for which they have been denied the right to secure licenses.
- G. The commission may use the services of the office of administrative hearings to conduct hearings and to make recommendations to the commission pursuant to this section.
- H. Except for a person who takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation, a person who takes wildlife in this state, or attempts to obtain a license to take wildlife, at a time when the person's privilege to do so is suspended, revoked or denied under this section is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-341

Violation; classification

- A. It is unlawful for a person to knowingly purchase, apply for, accept, obtain or use, by fraud or misrepresentation a license, permit, tag or stamp to take wildlife and a license or permit so obtained is void and of no effect from the date of issuance thereof.
- B. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-361

Trappers; licensing; restrictions; duties; reports

- A. The holder of a trapping license, may trap predatory, non-game, and fur-bearing mammals under such restrictions as the commission may specify.
- B. All traps shall be plainly identified with the name, address, or registered number of the owner, and such markings of identification shall be filed with the department. All traps in use shall be inspected daily.
- C. It shall be unlawful for a person to disturb the trap of another unless authorized to do so by the owner.
- D. Pursuant to rules and regulations of the commission, each trapping licensee shall, on dates designated by the commission, submit on forms provided by the department, a legible report of the number of each kind of predatory, nongame and fur-bearing mammal taken and the names and addresses of the persons to whom they were shipped or sold or the wildlife management units where the animals were taken.

A.R.S. 17-362

Guide license; violations; annual report; carrying firearms

- A. No person shall act as a guide without first satisfying the director of the person's qualifications and without having procured a guide license. No person under eighteen years of age shall be issued a guide license.
- B. If a licensed guide fails to comply with this title or is convicted of violating any provision of this title, in addition to any other penalty prescribed by this title:
 1. For a first offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and deny the person the right to secure another license for a period of up to five years.
 2. For a second offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and deny the person the right to secure another license for a period of up to ten years.
 3. For a third offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and permanently deny the person the right to secure another license.
- C. By January 10 of each year, or at the request of the commission, guides shall report to the department, on forms provided by the department, the name and address of each person guided, the number of days so employed and the number and species of game animals taken. No guide license shall be issued to any person who has failed to deliver the report to the department for the preceding license year, or until meeting such requirements as the commission may prescribe.
- D. No person acting as guide shall carry firearms other than a revolver or pistol.

A.R.S. 17-371

Transportation, possession and sale of wildlife and wildlife parts

- A. A person may transport in his possession his legally taken wildlife, or may authorize the transportation of his legally taken big game, provided such big game or any part thereof has attached thereto a valid transportation permit issued by the department. Such wildlife shall be transported in such manner that it may be inspected by authorized persons upon demand until the wildlife is packaged or stored. Species of wildlife, other than game species, may be transported in any manner unless otherwise specified by the commission. A person possessing a valid license may transport lawfully taken wildlife other than big game given to him but in no event shall any person possess more than one bag or possession limit.
- B. A holder of a resident license shall not transport from a point within to a point without the state any big game species or parts thereof without first having obtained a special permit issued by the department or its authorized agent.
- C. Migratory birds may be possessed and transported in accordance with the migratory bird treaty act (40 Stat. 755; 16 United States Code sections 703 through 711) and regulations under that act.
- D. A holder of a sport falconry license may transport one or more raptors that the person lawfully possesses under terms and conditions prescribed by the commission. Regardless of whether a person holds a sport falconry license and as provided by section 17-236, subsection C, the person may transport for sport falconry purposes one or more raptors that are not listed pursuant to the migratory bird treaty act.
- E. Heads, horns, antlers, hides, feet or skin of wildlife lawfully taken, or the treated or mounted specimens thereof, may be possessed, sold and transported at any time, except that migratory birds may be possessed and transported only in accordance with federal regulations.

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Definitions

A. In addition to the definitions provided under A.R.S. § 17-101, R12-4-301, R12-4-401, and R12-4-501, the following definitions apply to this Chapter, unless otherwise specified:

“Bonus point” means a credit that authorizes the Department to issue an applicant an additional computer-generated random number.

“Commission Order” means a document adopted by the Commission that does one or more of the following:

- Open, close, or alter seasons,
- Open areas for taking wildlife,
- Set bag or possession limits for wildlife,
- Set the number of permits available for limited hunts, or
- Specify wildlife that may or may not be taken.

“Day-long” means the 24-hour period from midnight to midnight.

“Firearm” means any loaded or unloaded handgun, pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun or other weapon that will discharge, is designed to discharge or may readily be converted to discharge a projectile by the action of an explosion caused by the burning of smokeless powder, black powder, or black powder substitute.

“Hunt area” means a game management unit, portion of a unit, or group of units, or any portion of Arizona described in a Commission Order and not included in a game management unit, opened to hunting by a particular hunt number.

“Hunt number” means the number assigned by Commission Order to any hunt area where a limited number of hunt permits are available.

“Hunt permits” means the number of hunt permit-tags made available to the public as a result of a Commission Order.

“Hunt permit-tag” means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order has assigned a hunt number.

“Identification number” means the number assigned to each applicant or license holder by the Department, as established under R12-4-111.

“License dealer” means a business authorized to sell hunting, fishing, and other licenses as established under R12-4-105.

“Live baitfish” means any species of live freshwater fish designated by Commission Order as lawful for use in taking aquatic wildlife under R12-4-317.

“Management unit” means an area established by the Commission for management purposes.

“Nonpermit-tag” means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of tags is not limited.

“Restricted nonpermit-tag” means a tag issued for a supplemental hunt as established under R12-4-115.

“Stamp” means a form of authorization in addition to a license that allows the license holder to take wildlife specified by the stamp.

“Tag” means the Department authorization that an individual is required to obtain before taking certain wildlife as established under A.R.S. Title 17 and 12 A.A.C. 4.

“Waterdog” means the larval or metamorphosing stage of salamanders.

“Wildlife area” means an area established under 12 A.A.C. 4, Article 8.

B. If the following terms are used in a Commission Order, the following definitions apply:

“Antlered” means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed.

“Antlerless” means not having an antler, antlers, or any part of an antler erupted through the skin.

“Bearded turkey” means a turkey with a beard that extends beyond the contour feathers of the breast.

“Buck antelope” means a male pronghorn antelope.

“Bull elk” means an antlered elk.

“Designated” means the gender, age, or species of an

animal or the specifically identified animal the Department authorizes to be taken and possessed with a valid tag.

“Ram” means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs.

R12-4-103

Duplicate Tags and Licenses

A. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(C), the Department and its license dealers shall issue a duplicate license or tag to an applicant who pays the fee prescribed by R12-4-102 for a duplicate license or tag, and who signs an affidavit that includes and attests to the following:

1. The applicant’s name and identification number, if previously issued to the applicant;
2. The applicant purchased an original license or tag;
3. The resident status and class of the original license or tag. If the applicant is a resident, the applicant shall also attest to the length of residency;
4. The approximate date the applicant purchased the original license or tag;
5. The license dealer from whom the applicant purchased the original license or tag; and
6. The applicant that purchased the original tag for which a duplicate is being purchased did not use the tag, and that the tag is lost, destroyed, mutilated, or otherwise unusable; or
7. If applicable, the applicant placed the original tag on a harvested animal that was subsequently condemned and the carcass and all parts of the animal were surrendered to a Department employee under R12-4-112(B) and (C).

B. If an applicant is applying for a duplicate tag under subsection (A)(7), the applicant shall also submit a condemned meat duplicate tag authorization form issued by the Department.

R12-4-104

Application Procedures for Issuance of Hunt Permit-tags by Drawing and Purchase of Bonus Points

A. For the purposes of this Section, “group” means all applicants who have placed their names on a single application form contained in a single envelope, or submitted electronically over the Internet as part of the same application. No more than four persons may apply as a group.

B. A person is eligible to apply:

1. For a hunt permit-tag if the person:
 - a. Is at least 10 years old at the start of the hunt for which the person applies;
 - b. Has completed a department-approved hunter education course by the start date of the hunt for which the person applies, if the person is under the age of 14; and
 - c. Does not have his or her license or license privileges to hunt in this state suspended or revoked at the time the person submits an application, as a result of an action under either A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502.
2. For a bonus point if the person:
 - a. Is at least 10 years old by the deadline to apply; and
 - b. Does not have his or her license or license privileges to hunt in this state suspended or revoked at the time the person submits an application, as a result of an action under either A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502.

C. An applicant for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point shall complete and submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, available from any Department office, the Department’s Internet web site, or a license dealer. An applicant shall apply at the times, locations, and in the manner established by the hunt permit-tag application schedule that is published by the Department and available at any Department office, the Department’s Internet web site, or

a license dealer. Under A.R.S. § 17-231, the Commission shall set application deadlines for hunt permit-tag drawing applications. The Director has the authority to extend any application deadline date if problems occur that prevent the public from submitting a hunt permit-tag application within the deadlines set by the Commission.

D. An applicant shall sign the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, or provide permission for another person to sign the application form on behalf of the applicant. If applying electronically over the Internet, an applicant shall attest to, or provide permission for another person to attest to, the information electronically provided.

E. An applicant shall provide the following information on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form:

1. The applicant’s personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth,
 - c. Social security number, as required under A.R.S. §§ 25-320(N) and 25-502(K);
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available; and
2. If the applicant possesses a valid license authorizing the take of wildlife in this state, the number of the applicant’s license;
3. If the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of the application, the applicant shall purchase a license as established under subsection (N). The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the license application portion of the Hunt Permit-tag Application:
 - a. Physical description, to include the applicant’s eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - b. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable; and
 - c. Type of license for which the person is applying.

4. An applicant who is:

- a. Under the age of ten and is submitting an application for a hunt other than big game is not required to have a license under this Chapter. The applicant shall indicate “youth” in the space provided for the license number on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form.
- b. Age nine or older and is submitting an application for a big game hunt is required to purchase an appropriate license as required under this Section. The applicant shall either enter the appropriate license number in the space provided for the license number on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form or purchase a license at the time of application, as applicable.

F. An applicant shall include as part of the hunt permit-tag application, the following fees as established under R12-4-102:

1. The fee for the applicable hunt permit-tag, unless the application is submitted electronically over the Internet or telephone;
2. The permit application fee; and
3. The license fee if the applicant does not possess a license that will be valid at the time of application deadline.

G. An applicant shall enclose payment for a hunt permit-tag with a single hunt permit-tag application form, made payable in U.S. currency to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, by certified check, cashier’s check, money order, or personal check. If applying electronically over the Internet or telephone, an applicant shall include payment by valid credit card as a part of the hunt permit-tag application.

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- H. An applicant shall apply for a specific hunt or a bonus point by the current hunt number. If all hunts selected by the applicant are filled at the time the application is processed in the drawing, the Department shall deem the application unsuccessful, unless the application is for a bonus point.
- I. An applicant shall make all hunt choices for the same genus within one application.
- J. An applicant shall not include applications for different genera of wildlife in the same envelope.
- K. All members of a group shall apply for the same hunt numbers and in the same order of preference. The Department shall not issue a hunt permit-tag to any group member unless sufficient hunt permit-tags are available for all group members.
- L. An applicant shall submit only one valid application per genus of wildlife for any calendar year, except:
 - 1. If the bag limit is one per calendar year, an unsuccessful applicant may re-apply for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published by the Department.
 - 2. For genera that have multiple draws within a single calendar year, a person who successfully draws a hunt permit-tag during an earlier season may apply for a later season for the same genus if the person has not taken the bag limit for that genus during a preceding hunt in the same calendar year.
 - 3. If the bag limit is more than one per calendar year, a person may apply as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published by the Department for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas.
- M. A person shall not apply for a hunt permit-tag for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep or desert bighorn sheep if that person has met the lifetime bag limit for that sub-species. A person shall not apply for a hunt permit-tag for buffalo if the individual has met the lifetime bag limit for that species.
- N. To participate in:
 - 1. The drawing system, an applicant shall possess an appropriate hunting license that shall be valid, either:
 - a. On the last day of the application deadline for that draw, as established by the hunt permit-tag application schedule published by the Department, or
 - b. On the last day of an extended deadline date, as authorized under subsection (C). If an applicant does not possess an appropriate hunting license that meets the requirements of this subsection, the applicant shall purchase the license at the time of application.
 - 2. The bonus point system, an applicant shall comply with the requirements established under R12-4-107.
- O. The Department shall reject as invalid a Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form not prepared or submitted in accordance with this Section or not prepared in a legible manner. If the Department rejects an application from any member of a group, the Department shall reject all members of the group application.
- P. Any hunt permit-tag issued for an application that is subsequently found not to be in accordance with this Section is invalid.
- Q. The Department or its authorized agent shall mail hunt permit-tags to successful applicants. The Department shall return application overpayments to the applicant designated "A" on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form. Permit application fees shall not be refunded. License fees submitted with a valid application for a hunt permit-tag or bonus point shall not be refunded.
- R. If the Director determines that Department error caused a person to submit an invalid application for a hunt permit-tag, prevented a person from lawfully submitting an application, caused the rejection of an application for a hunt permit-tag, or caused the denial of a hunt permit-tag, the Director may authorize an additional hunt permit-tag if the issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag will have no significant impact on the wildlife population to be

hunted and the application for the hunt permit-tag would have otherwise been successful based on its random number. The Director may also authorize the awarding of a bonus point to correct the error if a hunt permit-tag is not issued. If the Director determines that Department error caused the failure to apply an applicant's bonus points to an application, the Director may authorize an additional hunt permit-tag to correct the error, if the issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag will have no significant impact on the wildlife population to be hunted. The Director may also authorize the awarding of a bonus point to correct the error if a hunt permit-tag is not issued. A person who is denied a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point under this procedure may appeal to the Commission as provided under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.

R12-4-107

Bonus Point System

- A. For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions apply:
 - "Bonus point hunt number" means the hunt number assigned by the Commission in a Commission Order for use by an applicant applying only for a bonus point for a genus identified in this Section; and
 - "Loyalty bonus point" means a bonus point awarded to a person who has submitted a valid application for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus identified in subsection (B) at least once annually for a consecutive five-year period.
- B. The bonus point system grants a person one random number entry in each drawing for antelope, bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo, deer, elk, javelina, or turkey for each bonus point that person has accumulated under this Section. Each bonus point random number entry is in addition to the entry normally granted under R12-4-104. When processing "group" applications, as defined under R12-4-104, the Department shall use the average number of bonus points accumulated by all persons in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number. If the average is equal to or greater than .5, the total will be rounded to the next higher number.
- C. The Department shall award one bonus point to an applicant who submits a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application Form if all of the following apply:
 - 1. The application is unsuccessful in the drawing or the application is for a bonus point only;
 - 2. The application is not for a hunt permit-tag left over after the drawing and available on a first-come, first-served basis as established under R12-4-114; and
 - 3. The applicant either provides the appropriate hunting license number on the application or submits an application and fees for the applicable license with the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, as applicable.
- D. An applicant who purchases a bonus point only shall:
 - 1. Submit a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, as prescribed under R12-4-104, with the Commission-assigned bonus point hunt number for the particular genus as the first choice hunt number on the application. The Department shall reject any application that:
 - a. Indicates the bonus point only hunt number as any choice other than the first choice, or
 - b. Includes any other hunt number on the application;
 - 2. Include the applicable fees:
 - a. Application fee, and
 - b. Applicable license fee, required when the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of application; and
 - 3. Submit only one Hunt Permit-tag Application Form per genus per drawing.
- E. With the exception of the hunter education bonus point, each bonus point accumulated is valid only for the genus designated on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form.
- F. Except for a permanent bonus point awarded for hunter education, or loyalty bonus points that are accrued and forfeited as prescribed in subsection (K), all of a person's

accumulated bonus points for a genus are forfeited if:

- 1. The person is issued a hunt permit-tag for that genus in a computer drawing; or
- 2. The person fails to submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form for that genus for five consecutive years.
- G. An applicant issued a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag under R12-4-114(C)(2)(d) after the computer drawing does not lose bonus points for that genus, and a valid but unsuccessful applicant for a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag remaining after the computer drawing does not gain a bonus point.
- H. The Department shall award one permanent bonus point for each genus upon a person's first graduation from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course or for serving as a Department hunter education instructor.
- I. The Department shall credit a person who graduated after January 1, 1980, but before January 1, 1991, or a person certified by the Department as an active hunter education instructor after January 1, 1980, with one permanent bonus point for each genus if the person provides the following information on a form available from the Department: Department identification number; name; address; residency status, and length of Arizona residency, if applicable; date of birth; sex; weight; height; color of hair and eyes; and, for a person other than an instructor, the month and year of graduation from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course.
- J. An instructor or a person who has graduated from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course shall submit the required form 30 days before a drawing's application deadline, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule, in order for the bonus point to be counted by the Department in that drawing.
- K. The Department shall make an applicant's total number of accumulated bonus points available on the Department's application web site or IVR telephone system. If the applicant disagrees with the total, the applicant may request from the Department proof of compliance with this Section to prove Department error. In the event of an error, the Department shall correct the applicant's record.
- L. The Department shall credit bonus points under an applicant's Department identification number for the genus on the application. The Department shall not transfer bonus points between persons or genera.
- M. The following provisions apply to the loyalty bonus point program:
 - 1. The Department shall award a loyalty bonus point if an applicant submits a valid application at least once a year for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus consecutively for a five-year period.
 - 2. An applicant retains a loyalty bonus point once accrued as long as the applicant submits a valid application annually for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued.
 - 3. If an applicant who has accrued a loyalty bonus point fails to apply in any calendar year for a hunt permit-tag for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued, the applicant's loyalty bonus point for that genus is forfeited.
 - 4. For the purpose of the loyalty bonus point program, year one of the calculation of consecutive application years is 2001, and the Department shall award a loyalty bonus point to an applicant who qualifies for the loyalty bonus point on or after the effective date of this Section.
 - 5. A loyalty bonus point is accrued in addition to all other bonus points.
- N. The Department shall reinstate any bonus points forfeited for a successful hunt permit-tag application for military personnel, military reserve personnel, national guard personnel, or public agency employees who are unable to use the hunt permit-tag due to mobilization, activation, or required duty in response to a declared national or state emergency, or required duty in response to an action by the President, Congress, or a governor of the United States or its territories. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(E), no refunds for

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a license or hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant who applies for reinstatement of bonus points under this subsection. To request reinstatement of forfeited bonus points under these circumstances, an applicant shall submit all of the following information to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Draw Section, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086:

1. A letter from the applicant requesting reinstatement of bonus points;
2. The hunt number for which the hunt permit-tag is valid;
3. Evidence of mobilization or duty status, such as a letter from the public agency or official orders;
4. An official declaration of a state of emergency from the public agency or authority making the declaration of emergency, if applicable; and
5. The valid, unused hunt permit-tag, which must be received before the beginning date of the hunt for which the hunt permit-tag is valid, or evidence of mobilization or activation that precluded the applicant from submitting the tag before the beginning date of the hunt.

R12-4-108

Management Unit Boundaries

A. For the purpose of this Section, parentheses mean "also known as," and the following definitions shall apply:

1. "FH" means "forest highway," a paved road.
2. "FR" means "forest road," an unpaved road.
3. "Hwy" means "Highway."
4. "mp" means "milepost."

B. The state is divided into units for the purpose of managing wildlife. Each unit is identified by a number, or a number and letter. For the purpose of this Section, Indian reservation land contained within any management unit is not under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission or the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

C. Management unit descriptions are as follows:

Unit 1 – Beginning at the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to Vernon Junction; southerly on the Vernon-McNary road (FR 224) to the Fort White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; east and south along the reservation boundary to Black River; east and north along Black River to the east fork of Black River; north along the east fork to Three Forks; and continuing north and east on the Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249) to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to U.S. Hwy 60.

Unit 2B – Beginning at Springerville; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; westerly along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); south on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to Springerville.

Unit 2C – Beginning at St. Johns on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); west on to AZ Hwy 61 Concho; southwest on AZ Hwy 61 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180); north on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to St. Johns.

Unit 3A – Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 180 and AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 377; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 277; easterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Snowflake; easterly on the Snowflake-Concho Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180A; north on U.S. Hwy 180A to U.S. Hwy 180; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 77.

Unit 3B – Beginning at Snowflake; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly along U.S. Hwy 60 to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; easterly along the reservation boundary to the Vernon-McNary Rd. (FR 224); northerly along the Vernon-McNary Rd. to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 61; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 61 to AZ Hwy 180A; northerly on AZ Hwy 180A to Concho-Snowflake Rd.; westerly on the Concho-Snowflake Rd. to Snowflake.

Unit 3C – Beginning at Snowflake; westerly on AZ Hwy 277

to AZ Hwy 260; westerly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; easterly along the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary to U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77); northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77) to Showlow; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to Snowflake.

Unit 4A – Beginning on the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest at the Mogollon Rim; north along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northerly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; northerly on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; east along the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; westerly along the Mogollon Rim to the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 4B – Beginning at AZ Hwy 260 and the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 260 to AZ Hwy 277; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Hwy 377; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 77; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 77 to I-40 Exit 286; northeasterly along the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 292; north on AZ Hwy 77 to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west along the reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; easterly along the Mogollon Rim to AZ Hwy 260.

Unit 5A – Beginning at the junction of the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest boundary at the Mogollon Rim; northerly along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northeasterly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; north on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to the Meteor Crater Rd. (Exit 233); southerly on the Meteor Crater-Chavez Pass-Jack's Canyon Rd. (FR 69) to AZ Hwy 87; southwesterly along AZ Hwy 87 to the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary; easterly along the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary (Mogollon Rim) to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 5B – Beginning at Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3); southeasterly on FH3 to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to FR 69; westerly and northerly on FR 69 to I-40 (Exit 233); west on I-40 to Walnut Canyon (mp 210.2); southwesterly along Walnut Canyon to Walnut Canyon National Monument; southwesterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Canyon; southwesterly along Walnut Canyon to FH3 (mp 337.5).

Unit 6A – Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 89A and FR 237; southwesterly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Verde River; southeasterly along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry Rd. to Fossil Creek north on the creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3); northwesterly on FH3 to FR 132; southwesterly on FR 132 to FR 296; southwesterly on FR 296 to FR 296A; southwesterly on FR 296A to FR 132; northwesterly on FR 132 to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; southwesterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; westerly on FR 235A to FR 235; southerly on FR 235 to FR 235K; northwesterly on FR 235K to FR 700; northerly on FR 700 to Mountainaire Rd.;

west on Mountainaire Rd. to FR 237; westerly on FR 237 to U.S. Hwy 89A except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 6B – Beginning at mp 188.5 on I-40 at a point just north of the east boundary of Camp Navajo; south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeastern corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile through the forest to the forest road in section 33; southeast on the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northeasterly along Sycamore Creek and Volunteer Canyon to the southwest corner of the Camp Navajo boundary; northerly along the western boundary of Camp Navajo to the northwest corner of Camp Navajo; continuing north to I-40 (mp 180.0); easterly along I-40 to mp 188.5.

Unit 7 – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40 (in Williams); easterly on I-40 to FR 171 (mp 184.4 on I-40); northerly on FR 171 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; easterly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); northeasterly on FR 420 to U.S. Hwy 89; across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument; easterly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2; southeasterly along the power lines to I-40 (mp 212 on I-40); east on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; northerly and westerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; west on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 8 – Beginning at the junction of I-40 and U.S. Hwy 89 (in Ash Fork, Exit 146); south on U.S. Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northerly along Sycamore Creek to Volunteer Canyon; north-easterly along Volunteer Canyon to the west boundary of Camp Navajo; north along the boundary to a point directly north of I-40; west on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 89.

Unit 9 – Beginning where Cataract Creek enters the Havasupai Reservation; easterly and northerly along the Havasupai Reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; easterly along the Grand Canyon National Park boundary to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; westerly along U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south along AZ Hwy 64 to Airport Rd.; west and north along Airport Rd. to the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd.; westerly along the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd. to Cataract Creek at Island Tank; northwesterly along Cataract Creek to the Havasupai Reservation Boundary.

Unit 10 – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40; westerly on I-40 to Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66, Exit 139); westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation boundary; northeasterly along the reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; east along the park boundary to the Havasupai Indian Reservation; easterly and southerly along the reservation boundary to where Cataract Creek enters the reservation; southeasterly along Cataract Creek in Cataract Canyon to Island Tank; easterly on the Cataract Creek-Valle Rd. to Airport Rd.; south and east along Airport Rd. to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 11M – Beginning at the junction of Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3); northeasterly along Walnut Canyon to the Walnut Canyon National Monument boundary; northeasterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Canyon; northeasterly along Walnut Canyon to I-40 (mp 210.2); east on I-40 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2 (mp 212 on I-40); north and northeasterly along the power line to FR 545 (Sunset Crater Rd.); west along FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument boundary; westerly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; west on FR 545 to U.S. Hwy 89; across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); southwesterly on FR 420

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to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; westerly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 171; south on FR 171 to I-40 (mp 184.4 on I-40); east on I-40 to a point just north of the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo (mp 188.5 on I-40); south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeast corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile to the forest road in section 33; southeasterly along the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to FR 237; northeasterly on FR 237 to Mountaineer Rd.; easterly on Mountaineer Rd. to FR 700; southerly on FR 700 to FR 235K; southeasterly on FR 235K to FR 235; northerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; easterly on FR 235A to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; northeasterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to FR 132; southeasterly on FR 132 to FR 296A; northeasterly on FR 296A to FR 296; northeasterly on FR 296 to FR 132; northeasterly on FR 132 to FH3; southeasterly on FH3 to Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3).

Unit 12A – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 89A and the Kaibab National Forest boundary near mp 566; southerly and easterly along the forest boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; southerly and westerly along the park boundary to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to Snake Gulch; northerly, easterly and southerly around the Kaibab National Forest boundary to U.S. Hwy 89A near mp 566.

Unit 12B – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 89A and the Kaibab National Forest boundary near mp 566; southerly and easterly along the forest boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; northeasterly along the park boundary to Glen Canyon National Recreation area; easterly along the recreation area boundary to the Colorado River; northeasterly along the Colorado River to the Arizona-Utah state line; westerly along the state line to Kanab Creek; southerly along Kanab Creek to the Kaibab National Forest boundary; northerly, easterly, and southerly along this boundary to U.S. Hwy 89A near mp 566; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13A – Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; easterly along the Colorado River to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to the Utah state line; west along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13B – Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to the Nevada state line; north along the Nevada state line to the Utah state line; east along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.

Unit 15A – Beginning at Pearce Ferry on the Colorado River; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; west and north along the west boundary of the reservation to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 15B – Beginning at Kingman on I-40 (Exit 48); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam; north and east along the

Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to Hackberry; southerly on the Hackberry Rd. to its junction with U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 (Exit 71) to Kingman.

Unit 15C – Beginning at Hoover Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; easterly on AZ Hwy 68 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam.

Unit 15D – Beginning at AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to I-40; east and north on I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48); northwest on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 68; west on AZ Hwy 68 to Davis Dam; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Fort Mohave Indian Tribe.

Unit 16A – Beginning at Kingman Exit 48 on I-40; south and west on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 95 (Exit 9); southerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; easterly along the Bill Williams and Santa Maria rivers to U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48).

Unit 16B – Beginning at I-40 on the Colorado River; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to the Bill Williams River; east along the Bill Williams River to U.S. Hwy 95; north on U.S. Hwy 95 to I-40 (Exit 9); west on I-40 to the Colorado River.

Unit 17A – Beginning at the junction of the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Road 5) and the Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21); westerly on the Camp Wood road to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north along this boundary to the Baca Grant; east, north and west around the grant to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along this boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); southerly on Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Camp Wood Rd.

Unit 17B – Beginning in Prescott; at the junction of Iron Springs Rd. and Williamson Valley Rd. westerly on the Prescott-Skull Valley-Hillside-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; northeast on the Bagdad-Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21) to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); south on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Iron Springs Rd.

Unit 18A – Beginning at Seligman; westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; southwest and west along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 66; southwest on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hackberry Rd.; south on the Hackberry Rd. to U.S. Hwy 93; south on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; northeast along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along the forest boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); northerly on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to Seligman and AZ Hwy 66; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 18B – Beginning at Bagdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along the Santa Maria River to U.S. Hwy 93; northerly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; northeasterly along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; south along the forest boundary to the Baca Grant; east, south and west along the joint Baca Grant Prescott Forest Boundary. Continuing south along the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; to the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd.; southwest on the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 19A – Beginning at AZ Hwy 69 and U.S. Hwy 89 (in Prescott); northerly on U.S. Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to I-17; southwesterly on the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 69 to U.S. Hwy 89; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe and the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 19B – Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69, west on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd.; northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd.; northwest on the Iron Springs Rd. to the junction of Williamson Valley Rd. and Iron Springs Rd.; northerly on the Williamson Valley-Prescott-Seligman Rd. (FR 6, Williamson Valley Rd.) to AZ Hwy 66 at Seligman; east on Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66) to I-40 (Exit 139); east on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 89; south on U.S. Hwy 89 to the junction with AZ Hwy 69; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20A – Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; west on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd.; northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd.; west and south on the Iron Springs-Skull Valley-Kirkland Junction Rd. to U.S. Hwy 89; continue south and easterly on the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes rd. to Cordes, from Cordes southeast to I-17 (Exit 259); north on the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwest on AZ Hwy 69 to junction of U.S. Hwy 89 at Prescott; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20B – Beginning at the Hassayampa River and U.S. Hwy 93 (in Wickenburg); northeasterly along the Hassayampa River to the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes road (at Wagoner); southerly and northeasterly along the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes Rd. (at Wagoner) to I-17 (Exit 259); south on the southbound lane of I-17 to the New River Road (Exit 232); west on the New River Road to State Highway 74; west on AZ Hwy 74 to the junction of AZ Hwy 74 and U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Hassayampa River.

Unit 20C – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 93 and the Santa Maria River; northeasterly along the Santa Maria River to AZ Hwy 96; easterly on AZ Hwy 96 to Kirkland Junction; southeasterly along the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes road to the Hassayampa River (at Wagoner); southwesterly along the Hassayampa River to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River.

Unit 21 – Beginning on I-17 at the Verde River; southerly on the southbound lane of I-17 to the New River Road (Exit 232); east on New River Road to Fig Springs Road; northeasterly on Fig Springs Road to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly along this boundary to the Verde River; north along the Verde River to I-17.

Unit 22 – Beginning at the junction of the Salt and Verde Rivers; north along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry Rd. to Fossil Creek; north on the creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; easterly along this boundary to Tonto Creek; southerly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, and continuing southerly along Tonto Creek to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Verde River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tonto Apache Tribe and the Fort McDowell Mohave-Apache Community.

Unit 23 – Beginning at the confluence of Tonto Creek and the Salt River; northerly along Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, on Tonto Creek; northeasterly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the Tonto-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; east along this boundary to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to Tonto Creek.

Unit 24A – Beginning on AZ Hwy 177 in Superior; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 177 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; easterly, westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; southwesterly along the Salt River to AZ Hwy 288; southerly on AZ Hwy 288 and 188 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177.

Unit 24B – Beginning on U.S. Hwy 60 in Superior; northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 188; northerly on AZ Hwy

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188 and 288 to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary near Granite Reef Dam; southeasterly along Forest boundary to Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwesterly on Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; easterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Superior.

Unit 25M – Beginning at the junction of 51st Ave. and I-10; west on I-10 to AZ Loop 303, northeasterly on AZ Loop 303 to I-17; north on I-17 to Carefree Hwy; east on Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeasterly on Cave Creek Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; easterly and southerly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation boundary; northeasterly along the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation boundary to the Verde River; southerly along the Verde River to the Salt River; southwesterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southerly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Bush Hwy/Power Rd.; southerly on Bush Hwy/Power Rd. to AZ Loop 202; easterly, southerly, and westerly on AZ Loop 202 to the intersection of Pecos Rd. at I-10; west on Pecos Rd. to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; northwesterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to 51st Ave; northerly on 51st Ave to I-10; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands.

Unit 26M – Beginning at the junction of I-17 and New River Rd. (Exit 232); southwesterly on New River Rd. to AZ Hwy 74; westerly on AZ Hwy 74 to U.S. Hwy 93; southeasterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Beardsley Canal; southwesterly on the Beardsley Canal to Indian School Rd.; west on Indian School Rd. to Jackrabbit Trail; south on Jackrabbit Trail to I-10 (Exit 121); west on I-10 to Oglesby Rd (Exit 112); south on Oglesby Rd. to AZ Hwy 85; south on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; southeasterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway); south on AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary; easterly along the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeasterly on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287 north of Coolidge; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79; north on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Highway 60 to Peralta Rd.; northeasterly along Peralta Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to the Salt River; northeasterly along the Salt River to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Fig Springs Rd.; southwesterly on Fig Springs Rd. to New River Road; west on New River Road to I-17 (Exit 232); except Unit 25M and those portions that are sovereign tribal lands.

Unit 27 – Beginning at the New Mexico state line and AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.); west on the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; north along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary to Black River; northeast along Black River to the East Fork of Black River; northeast along the East Fork of Black River to Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249); easterly along Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to AZ Hwy 78.

Unit 28 – Beginning at I-10 and the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; northwest on U.S. Hwy 191 to Clifton; westerly on the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; northerly along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; southerly and west along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 352; easterly on I-10 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 29 – Beginning on I-10 at the New Mexico state line; westerly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on

the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeast on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek-Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on the Rucker Canyon Rd. to the Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to I-10.

Unit 30A – Beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 80; south along the state line to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to U.S. Hwy 191; northerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 331; northeasterly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek - Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on Rucker Canyon Rd. to Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 30B – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 191 and the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to the San Pedro River; north along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeasterly on I-10 to U.S. Hwy 191; southerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 31 – Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek; west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the Gila River; northeast along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; south then east and north along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to the 352 exit on I-10; southwest on I-10 to Exit 340.

Unit 32 – Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek; west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southerly along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeast on I-10 to Willcox Exit 340.

Unit 33 – Beginning at Tangerine Rd. and AZ Hwy 77; north and northeast on AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southeast along the San Pedro River to I-10 at Benson; west on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on the Marsh Station Rd. to the Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary; then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.

Unit 34A – Beginning in Nogales at I-19 and Grand Avenue (U.S. Highway 89); northeast on Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 89) to AZ Hwy 82; northeast on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to the Sahuarita road alignment; west along the Sahuarita road alignment to I-19 Exit 75; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

Unit 34B – Beginning at AZ Hwy 83 and I-10 Exit 281; easterly on I-10 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to AZ Hwy 82; westerly on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 Exit 281.

Unit 35A – Beginning on the U.S.-Mexico border at the San Pedro River; west along the border to Lochiel Rd.; north on Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd.; north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on the FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; northwesterly on the AZ Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; northeasterly on the Elgin-Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82;

easterly on AZ Hwy 82 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 35B – Beginning at Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) at the U.S.-Mexico border in Nogales; east along the U.S.-Mexico border to Lochiel Rd.; north on the Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd.; north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; northwesterly on the AZ Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; north on the Elgin Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; southwest on AZ Hwy 82 to Grand Avenue; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 36A – Beginning at the junction of Sandario Rd. and AZ Hwy 86; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; southeasterly on the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; north on I-19 to the southern boundary of the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Sandario road alignment; north on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86.

Unit 36B – Beginning at I-19 and Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) in Nogales; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the U.S.-Mexico border to AZ Hwy 286; north on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; southeasterly on the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

Unit 36C – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 86 and AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the U.S.-Mexico border; westerly along the border to the east boundary of the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; easterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286.

Unit 37A – Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86; southwest on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation boundary; north, east, and west along the reservation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeast on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79 at Florence; southeast on AZ Hwy 79 to its junction with AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 37B – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 79 and AZ Hwy 77; northwest on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177; southeast on AZ Hwy 177 to AZ Hwy 77; southeast and southwest on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 79.

Unit 38M – Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; south and east along the reservation boundary to I-19; south on I-19 to Sahuarita Rd. (Exit 75); east on Sahuarita Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; north on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 (Exit 281); east on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on Marsh Station Rd. to the Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus, then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary, then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 39 – Beginning at AZ Hwy 85 and the Gila River; east along the Gila River to the western boundary of the Gila River Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway); south on AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to

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I-8; westerly on I-8 to Exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Unit 40A -- Beginning at Ajo; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 85 to Why; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly and easterly along the reservation boundary to the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd.; north on the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to AZ Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Ajo.

Unit 40B -- Beginning at Gila Bend; westerly on I-8 to the Colorado River; southerly along the Colorado River to the Mexican border at San Luis; southeasterly along the border to the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge; northerly, easterly and southerly around the refuge boundary to the Mexican border; southeast along the border to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 85; north on AZ Hwy 85 to Gila Bend; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Cocopah Tribe.

Unit 41 -- Beginning at I-8 and U.S. Hwy 95 (in Yuma); easterly on I-8 to exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; northerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Oglesby Rd.; north on Oglesby Rd. to I-10; westerly on I-10 to Exit 45; southerly on Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to the Refuge boundary; easterly, southerly, westerly, and northerly along the boundary to the Castle Dome Rd.; southwesterly on the Castle Dome Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; southerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to I-8.

Unit 42 -- Beginning at the junction of the Beardsley Canal and U.S. Hwy 93 (U.S. 89, U.S. 60); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 71; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 60; westerly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Aguila; south on the Eagle Eye Rd. to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd.; southeasterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to I-10 (Exit 81); easterly on I-10 to Jackrabbit Trail (Exit 121); north along Jackrabbit Trail to the Indian School road; east along Indian School Rd. to the Beardsley Canal; northeasterly along the Beardsley Canal to U.S. Hwy 93.

Unit 43A -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; west along the Bill Williams River to the Arizona-California state line; southerly to the south end of Cibola Lake; northerly and easterly on the Cibola Lake Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); east along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to the west boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; northerly along the refuge boundary to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); northwesterly on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 95; northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 43B -- Beginning at the south end of Cibola Lake; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to I-8; southeasterly on I-8 to U.S. Hwy 95; easterly and northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Castle Dome road; northeast on the Castle Dome Rd. to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); west along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 95; north on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Cibola Lake Rd.; west and south on the Cibola Lake Rd. to the south end of Cibola Lake; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Quechan Tribe.

Unit 44A -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; south along U.S. Hwy 95 to AZ Hwy 72; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 72 to Vicksburg; south on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to I-10; easterly on I-10 to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. (Exit 81); northwesterly on

the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to Eagle Eye Rd.; northeasterly on Eagle Eye Rd. to Aguila; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 71; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River; westerly along the Santa Maria and Bill Williams rivers to U.S. Hwy 95; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 44B -- Beginning at Quartzsite; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); east on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; north and east along the refuge boundary to the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd.; north on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to AZ Hwy 72; northwest on AZ Hwy 72 to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to Quartzsite.

Unit 45A -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; west and south on the boundary line to Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.).

Unit 45B -- Beginning at O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east to the east refuge boundary; south and west along the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (Wellton-Kofa Rd./Ave 40E); north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (Wellton-Kofa Rd./Ave 40E) to O-O Junction.

Unit 45C -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; south, east, and north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary. Unit 46A -- That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge east of the Yuma-Pima County line.

Unit 46B -- That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge west of the Yuma-Pima County line.

R12-4-109

Approved Trapping Education Course Fee

Under A.R.S. § 17-333.02(A), the provider of an approved educational course of instruction in responsible trapping and environmental ethics may collect a fee from each participant that:

1. Is reasonable and commensurate for the course, and
2. Does not exceed \$25.

R12-4-110

Posting and Access to State Land

A. For the purpose of this Section:

1. "Corrals," "feed lots," or "holding pens" mean completely fenced areas used to contain livestock for purposes other than grazing, including feeding, roundup, branding, doctoring, and other related purposes.
2. "Existing road" means any maintained or unmaintained road, way, highway, trail or path that has been used for motorized vehicular travel and clearly shows or has a history of established vehicle use.
3. "State lands" means all land owned or held in trust by the state that is managed by the State Land Department and lands that are owned or managed by the Game and Fish Commission.

B. In addition to those prohibitions against posting in A.R.S. § 17-304, an individual shall not lock a gate, construct a fence, place an obstacle or otherwise commit an act that denies legally available access to or use of any existing road upon state lands by persons lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife. An individual in violation of this Section shall take immediate corrective action to remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle that unlawfully blocks access to state lands. If immediate corrective action is not taken, a representative of the Department may remove any unlawful posting and remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle that unlawfully blocks access to state lands. In addition, the Department may take appropriate legal action to recover expenses incurred in the removal of any unlawful posting or obstacle that blocks access to state land.

C. The provisions of this Section do not allow any individual to trespass upon private land to gain access to state land.

D. An individual may post state lands within 1/4 mile of any occupied residence, cabin, lodge, or other building and lands within corrals, feed lots, or holding pens containing concentrations of livestock other than for grazing purposes as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping without further action by the Commission.

E. An individual may post state lands other than those referred to in subsection (D) as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping only if the individual has obtained a permit from the Commission, and the Commission determines that the closing is necessary:

1. Because the taking of wildlife constitutes an unusual hazard to permitted users;
2. To prevent unreasonable destruction of plant life or habitat; or
3. For proper resource conservation, use, or protection, including but not limited to high fire danger, excessive interference with mineral development, developed agricultural land, or timber or livestock operations.

F. An individual shall submit an application for posting state land to prohibit hunting, fishing, or trapping under subsection (E), or to close an existing road under subsection (J), as required by R12-4-610. If an application to close state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping is made by an individual other than the state land lessee, the Department shall provide notice to the lessee and the State Land Commissioner before the Commission considers the application. The state land lessee or the State Land Commissioner shall file any objections in writing within 30 days after receipt of notice, after which the matter shall be submitted to the Commission for determination.

G. An individual may use a vehicle on or off a road to pick up lawfully taken big game animals.

H. The closing of state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping shall not restrict any other permitted use of the land.

I. State trust land may be posted with signs that read "State Land No Trespassing" but such posting shall not prohibit access to such land by any individual lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife.

J. The Commission may grant permission to lock or obliterate a gate or close a road or trail that provides legally available access to state lands for licensed hunters and fishermen if access to such lands is provided by a reasonable alternate route. Under R12-4-610, the Director may grant a permit to a state land lessee to temporarily lock a gate or close an existing road that provides access to state lands if the taking of wildlife will cause unreasonable interference during a critical livestock or commercial operation. This permit shall not exceed 30 days. Applications for permits for more than 30 days shall be submitted to the Commission for approval. If a permit is issued to temporarily close a road or gate, a copy of the permit shall be posted at the point of the closure during the period of the closure.

K. When hunting, fishing, or trapping on state land, a license holder shall not:

1. Break or remove any lock or cut any fence to gain access to state land;
2. Open and not immediately close a gate;

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3. Intentionally or wantonly destroy, deface, injure, remove, or disturb any building, sign, equipment, marker, or other property;
4. Harvest or remove any vegetative or mineral resources or object of archaeological, historic, or scientific interest;
5. Appropriate, mutilate, deface, or destroy any natural feature, object of natural beauty, antiquity, or other public or private property;
6. Dig, remove, or destroy any tree or shrub;
7. Gather or collect renewable or non-renewable resources for the purpose of sale or barter unless specifically permitted or authorized by law; or
8. Frighten or chase domestic livestock or wildlife, or endanger the lives or safety of others when using a motorized vehicle or other means.

R12-4-111

Identification Number

- A. An applicant for a Department identification number may either:
1. Assign his or her own number by using his or her social security number; or
 2. Obtain a number from the Department by providing the Department with full name and any aliases, date of birth, and mailing address.

R12-4-112

Diseased, Injured, or Chemically Immobilized Wildlife

- A. The Director may authorize Department employees to condemn the carcass of a lawfully taken and lawfully possessed diseased, injured, or chemically immobilized wildlife taken under any permit tag that is, in the opinion of the employee, unfit for human consumption, if the individual who took the wildlife requests it and this condition was not created by the actions of the individual who took the wildlife. A Department employee may condemn wildlife that is chemically immobilized if the wildlife was taken during the established withdrawal period of that immobilizing drug.
- B. The individual who took the wildlife shall surrender the entire condemned wildlife carcass and any parts thereof to the Department employee.
- C. After condemnation and surrender of the wildlife, the Department employee shall provide written authorization to the individual who took the wildlife to purchase and use a duplicate tag. The license holder may purchase the tag from any dealer where the tag is available. The license dealer shall forward the written authorization to the Department with the report of the tag sale.

R12-4-114

Issuance of Nonpermit-tags and Hunt Permit-tags

- A. In accordance with A.R.S. § 17-332 and the provisions of this Section, the Department shall annually provide numbered tags for sale to the public. The Department shall ensure that each tag includes a transportation and shipping permit as prescribed in A.R.S. §§ 17-332 and 17-371, and that each tag is made of tear-resistant material with an adhesive back covered by a detachable paper backing and clearly identifies the animal for which the tag is valid.
- B. If the Commission establishes a big game season for which a hunt number is not assigned, the Department or its authorized agent, or both, shall sell nonpermit-tags.
1. To obtain a nonpermit-tag, an applicant shall provide to a license dealer or Department office the applicant's name, home mailing address, and Department identification number.
 2. An applicant shall not apply for or obtain nonpermit-tags in excess of the bag limit prescribed by the Commission when it established the season for which the nonpermit-tags are valid.

- C. If the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular hunt area must be limited, a Commission Order establishes a hunt number for that hunt area, and a hunt permit-tag is required to take the species in that hunt area.
1. To apply for a hunt permit-tag, an applicant shall submit an application under R12-4-104.

2. The Department shall use the following procedure to determine whether a hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant:

- a. The Department shall reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for each hunt number for antelope, bear, deer, elk, javelina, and turkey to issue to individuals and groups that have bonus points. The Department shall reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for all hunt numbers combined statewide for bighorn sheep and buffalo to issue to individuals and groups that have bonus points.

- b. The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags for hunt numbers designated by eligible applicants as their first or second choices. The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags by random selection:

- i. First, to eligible applicants with the highest number of bonus points for that genus;
- ii. Next, if there are reserved hunt permit-tags remaining, to eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points for that genus; and
- iii. If there are still tags remaining, to the next eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points; continuing in the same manner until all of the reserved tags have been issued or until there are no more applicants for that hunt number who have bonus points.

- c. The Department shall ensure that the first selection from all unreserved hunt permit-tags is by random drawing.

- d. If the bag limit established by Commission Order is more than one per calendar year, or if there are hunt permit-tags remaining unissued after the random drawings, the Department shall ensure that these hunt permit-tags are available on a set date on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published annually.

- D. The Department shall not make available more than one hunt permit-tag or 10% of the total hunt permit-tags, whichever is greater, for bighorn sheep or buffalo in any draw to nonresidents. The Department shall not make available more than 50% nor more than two bighorn sheep or buffalo hunt permit-tags of the total in any hunt number to nonresidents.

- E. The Department shall not make available more than 10%, rounded down, of the total hunt permit-tags in any hunt number to nonresidents for antelope, antlered deer, bull elk, javelina, or turkey. If a hunt number for antelope, antlered deer, bull elk, javelina or turkey has ten hunt permit-tags or fewer, no more than one hunt permit-tag will be made available to a nonresident, except that if a hunt number has only one hunt permit-tag, that tag shall only be available to a resident.

- F. Any cap established under this Section applies only to hunt permit-tags issued by random drawing under subsections (C)(2)(b) and (c).

R12-4-115

Supplemental Hunts and Hunter Pool

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:

"Management objectives" means goals, recommendations, or guidelines contained in Commission-approved wildlife management plans, which include hunt guidelines, operational plans, or hunt recommendations;

"Hunter pool" means all persons who have submitted an

application for a supplemental hunt; and

"Supplemental hunt" means a season established by the Commission for the following purposes:

Take of depredating wildlife under A.R.S. § 17-239;

Take of wildlife under an Emergency Season if the Commission adopts, amends, or repeals a Commission Order for reasons constituting an immediate threat to the health, safety, or management of wildlife or its habitat, or to public health or safety; or

Take of wildlife under a population management hunt if the Commission has prescribed restricted nonpermit-tags by Commission Order for the purpose of meeting management objectives because regular seasons are not, have not been, or will not be sufficient or effective to achieve management objectives.

- B. For the purposes of authorizing a population management hunt, the Commission through Commission Order shall open a season or seasons and prescribe a maximum number of restricted nonpermit-tags that the Director may issue under this Section.

- C. The Director shall implement a population management hunt under the open season or seasons prescribed in subsection (B) if the Director finds that:

1. Regular seasons have not met or will not meet management objectives;
2. Take of wildlife is necessary to meet management objectives; and
3. Issuance of a specific number of restricted nonpermit-tags is likely to meet management objectives.

- D. To implement a population management hunt under subsection (B), the Director shall do the following:

1. Select season dates, within the range of dates prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
2. Select specific hunt areas, within the range of hunt areas prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
3. Select the legal animal that may be taken from the list of legal animals prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
4. Determine the number of restricted nonpermit-tags that will be issued from the maximum number of tags prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order; and
5. Reduce restricted nonpermit-tag fees up to 75% if the normal fee structure will not generate adequate participation from either the hunter pool or hunt permit-tag holders under subsection (J).

- E. The Director shall not issue more restricted nonpermit-tags than the maximum number prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order.

- F. A restricted non-permit tag is valid only for the supplemental hunt for which it is issued. To participate in a supplemental hunt, a person shall:

1. Obtain a restricted non-permit tag as prescribed under this Section, and
2. Possess a valid hunting license. If the applicant does not possess a valid license or the license will expire before the supplemental hunt, the applicant shall purchase an appropriate license at the time of application.

- G. If the season dates and open areas of a supplemental hunt prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order exactly match the season dates and open areas of another big game animal for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw, the Department shall make the restricted nonpermit-tags available only to holders of the hunt permit-tags, and not the hunter pool.

- H. To obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag under subsection (G), an applicant shall provide to a Department office the applicant's name, address, Department identification number, and hunt permit-tag number on a form prescribed by the Department.

1. The applicant shall provide verification that the applicant legally obtained the hunt permit-tag for the hunt

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described under subsection (G) by presenting the hunt permit-tag to a Department office for verification.

2. The applicant shall not apply for or obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag to take wildlife in excess of the bag limit prescribed by the Commission.
- I. The Department or its authorized agent shall maintain a hunter pool for supplemental hunts and shall randomly select applicants from the hunter pool for participation in a supplemental hunt, if the season dates and open areas of the supplemental hunt do not exactly match the season dates and open areas of another big game animal for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw.
- J. When issuing restricted nonpermit-tags to the hunter pool, the Department or its authorized agent shall randomly select applicants from the hunter pool. The Department or its authorized agent shall attempt to contact each randomly-selected applicant by telephone at least three times during a 24-hour period. If an applicant cannot be contacted or cannot participate in the supplemental hunt, the Department or its authorized agent shall return the application to the hunter pool and draw another application. The Department or its authorized agent shall draw no more applications after the number of restricted nonpermit-tags prescribed in subsection (D)(4) has been issued.
- K. The Department shall purge and renew the hunter pool annually.
- L. An applicant for a supplemental hunt shall submit the following information on a form available from the Department or its authorized agent:
 1. Applicant's name, home mailing address, whether a resident or nonresident, and date of birth;
 2. Daytime and evening telephone numbers;
 3. The species that the applicant would like to hunt if drawn; and
 4. The applicant's hunting license number.
- M. Along with the application form, an applicant for a supplemental hunt shall submit the permit application fee established under R12-4-102.
- N. The Department shall not accept group applications, as described under R12-4-104, for supplemental hunts.
- O. A hunter pool applicant who is drawn and who wishes to participate in a supplemental hunt shall submit the following to the Department to obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag:
 1. The fee for the tag as established under R12-4-102, or subsection (D)(5) if the fee has been reduced, and
 2. The applicant's hunting license number. The applicant shall possess an appropriate license that is valid at the time of the supplemental hunt.
- P. The Department shall reserve a restricted nonpermit-tag for an applicant only for the period specified by the Department when contact is made with the applicant. The Department shall issue a restricted nonpermit-tag not purchased within the specified period to another person whose application is drawn from the hunter pool as prescribed by this Section. The Department or its authorized agent shall remove from the hunter pool the application of any successful applicant who does not purchase a tag after being contacted and agreeing to purchase the tag.
- Q. A person who participates in a supplemental hunt through the hunter pool shall be removed from the supplemental hunter pool for the genus for which the person participated. A person who participates in a supplemental hunt shall not reapply for the hunter pool for that genus until that hunter pool is renewed.
- R. The provisions of R12-4-104, R12-4-107, R12-4-114, and R12-4-609 do not apply to supplemental hunts. A supplemental hunt application submitted in accordance with this Section does not invalidate any application for a hunt permit-tag. The issuance of a restricted nonpermit-tag does not authorize a person to exceed the bag limit established by the Commission.

R12-4-117

Indian Reservations

A state license, tag, or permit is not required to hunt or fish

on any Indian reservation in this state. Wildlife lawfully taken on an Indian reservation may be transported or processed anywhere in the state if it can be identified as to species and legality as provided in A.R.S. § 17-309(A)(20). All wildlife transported is subject to inspection under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-211(E)(4).

R12-4-121

Big Game Permit or Tag Transfer

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "unused tag" means a big game hunt permit-tag, non-permit tag, or special license tag that has not been attached to any animal.
- B. A parent, grandparent, or guardian issued a big game hunt permit-tag, non-permit tag, or special license tag may transfer the unused tag to the parent's, grandparent's, or guardian's minor child or grandchild.
 1. A parent, grandparent, or guardian issued a tag may transfer the unused tag to a minor child or grandchild at any time prior to the end of the season for which the unused tag was issued.
 2. A parent, grandparent, or guardian may transfer the unused tag by providing all of the following documentation in person at any Department office:
 - a. Proof of ownership of the unused tag to be transferred;
 - b. The unused tag; and
 - c. The minor's valid hunting license.
 3. If a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian is deceased, the personal representative of the individual's estate may transfer an unused tag to an eligible minor. The individual acting as the personal representative shall present:
 - a. The deceased individual's death certificate; and
 - b. Proof of the individual's authority to act as the personal representative of the deceased individual's estate.
 4. To be eligible to receive an unused tag from a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian, the minor child shall meet the criteria established under subsection (D).
 5. A minor child or grandchild receiving an unused tag from a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian shall be accompanied into the field by any grandparent, parent, or legal guardian of the minor child.
- C. An individual issued a tag or the individual's legal representative may donate the unused tag to a non-profit organization for use by a minor child who has a life threatening medical condition or permanent physical disability.
 1. A qualifying organization:
 - a. Is exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
 - b. Provides hunting opportunities and experiences to children with life-threatening medical conditions or permanent physical disabilities.
 2. The individual or legal representative that donates the unused tag shall provide the non-profit organization with a written statement indicating the unused tag is voluntarily donated to the organization.
 3. The non-profit organization receiving a donated tag under this subsection may transfer the unused tag to an eligible minor child by contacting any Department office.
 - a. To obtain a transfer, the non-profit organization shall:
 - i. Provide proof of donation of the unused tag to be transferred;
 - ii. Provide the unused tag;
 - iii. Provide proof of the minor child's valid hunting license; and
 - b. To be eligible to receive a donated unused tag from a qualifying organization, the minor child shall meet the criteria established under subsection (D).
- D. To receive an unused tag authorized under subsections (B) or (C), an eligible minor child shall meet the following criteria:

1. Possess a valid hunting license, and
2. Is 10 to 17 years of age on the date of the transfer. A minor child under the age of 14 shall have satisfactorily completed a Department-approved hunter education course before the beginning date of the hunt,

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Pioneer License

- A. A pioneer license grants all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a combination hunting and fishing license. The pioneer license is only available at a Department office.
- B. The pioneer license is a complimentary license and is valid for the license holder's lifetime.
- C. A person who is age 70 or older and has been a resident of Arizona for at least 25 consecutive years immediately preceding application may apply for a pioneer license by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. A pioneer license applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth,
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant is 70 years of age or older and has been a resident of this state for 25 or more consecutive years immediately preceding application for the license; and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate.
 3. Applicant's signature and date. The applicant's signature shall be either notarized or witnessed by a Department employee,
- D. In addition to the requirements listed under subsection (C), an applicant for a pioneer license shall also submit any one of the following documents at the time of application:
 1. Valid U.S. passport;
 2. Original or certified copy of the applicant's birth certificate;
 3. Original or copy of a valid government-issued driver's license; or
 4. Original or copy of a valid government-issued identification card.
- E. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- F. The Department shall deny a pioneer license when the applicant:
 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-336(A)(1),
 2. Fails to comply with this Section, or
 3. Provides false information on the application.
- G. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Ch 6, Article 10.
- H. A pioneer license holder may request a no-fee duplicate of the paper license provided:
 1. The license was lost or destroyed;

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2. The license holder submits a written request to the Department for a no-fee duplicate paper license; and
3. The Department's records indicate a pioneer license was previously issued to that person.
1. A person issued a pioneer license prior to January 1, 2014 shall be entitled to the privileges established under subsection (A).

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Disabled Veteran's License

- A. A disabled veteran's license grants all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a combination hunting and fishing license. The disabled veteran's license is only available at a Department office.
- B. The disabled veteran's license is a complimentary license and is valid for a three-year period from the issue date or the license holder's lifetime, as established under subsection (F).
- C. An eligible applicant is a disabled veteran who:
 1. Has been a resident of Arizona for at least one year immediately preceding application, and
 2. Is receiving compensation from the United States government for permanent service-connected disabilities rated as 100% disabling. Eligibility for the disabled veteran's license is based on the disability rating, not on the compensation received by the veteran.
- D. A person applying for a disabled veteran's license shall submit an application to the Department. The application form furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth,
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the eligibility requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-336(A)(2),
 - b. The applicant has been a resident of this state for at least one year immediately preceding application for the license,
 - c. The information provided on the application is true and accurate; and
 3. Applicant's signature and date. The applicant's signature shall be either notarized by a notary public or witnessed by a Department employee,
- E. In addition to the requirements established under subsection (D), an applicant for a disabled veteran's license shall also submit an original certification at the time of application. The certification form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. The certification shall be completed by an agent of the United States Department of Veterans' Services. The certification shall include all of the following information:
 1. The applicant's full name,
 2. Certification that the applicant is receiving compensation from the United States government for permanent service-connected disabilities rated as 100% disabling,
 3. Certification that the 100% rating is permanent, and:
 - a. Will not require reevaluation or
 - b. Will be reevaluated in three years, and

4. The signature and title of the Department of Veterans' Services agent who issued or approved the certification.
- F. If the certification required under subsection (E) indicates that the applicant's disability rating of 100% is permanent and:
 1. Will not be reevaluated, the disabled veteran's license will not expire.
 2. Will be reevaluated in three years, the disabled veteran's license will expire three years from the date of issuance.
- G. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- H. The Department shall deny a disabled veteran's license when the applicant:
 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-336(A)(2),
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 3. Provides false information during the application process.
- I. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10
- J. A disabled veteran's license holder may request a no-fee duplicate paper license provided:
 1. The license was lost or destroyed,
 2. The license holder submits a written request to the Department for a duplicate license, and
 3. The Department's records indicate a disabled veteran's license was previously issued to that person.
- K. A person issued a disabled veteran's license prior to January 1, 2014 shall be entitled to the privileges established under subsection (A).
- L. For the purposes of this Section, "disabled veteran" means a veteran of the armed forces of the United States with a service connected disability.

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National Harvest Information Program (HIP); State Waterfowl and Migratory Bird Stamp

- A. All state fish and wildlife agencies are required to obtain data to assess the harvest of migratory game birds in compliance with the federally mandated National Harvest Information Program administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in accordance with 50 C.F.R. Part 20.
- B. In compliance with the National Harvest Information Program, the Department requires a person to possess a migratory bird stamp or authorization number, which may be affixed to or written on the appropriate license, and a current, valid federal waterfowl stamp. The migratory bird stamp and authorization number are required to take band-tailed pigeons, moorhen, coots, doves, ducks, geese, snipe, or swans.
 1. The state migratory bird stamp expires on June 30 of each year. To obtain a state migratory bird stamp, a person shall submit:
 - a. The fee required under R12-4-102, and
 - b. A completed state migratory bird registration form to a license dealer or a Department office.
 2. The person shall provide on the state migratory bird registration form the person's:
 - a. Name,
 - b. Mailing address,
 - c. Date of birth, and
 - d. Information on past and anticipated hunting activity.
 3. The youth combination hunting and fishing license includes the state migratory bird stamp privileges. A youth hunter who possesses a valid combination

hunting and fishing license shall obtain:

- a. A Federal waterfowl stamp when the youth hunter is 16 years of age or older and is taking ducks, geese, swans, coots, gallinules; or
- b. A permit-tag when the youth hunter is taking sandhill crane.
- C. A license dealer shall submit state migratory bird registration forms for all state migratory bird stamps sold with the monthly report required under A.R.S. § 17-338.

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Guide License

- A. A guide, as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101, is a person who does any one of the following:
 1. Advertises for guiding services.
 2. Is presented to the public for hire as a guide.
 3. Is employed by a commercial enterprise as a guide.
 4. Accepts compensation in any form commensurate with the market value in this state for guiding services in exchange for aiding, assisting, directing, leading, or instructing a person in the field to locate and take wildlife.
 5. Is not a landowner or lessee who, without full fair market compensation, allows access to the landowner's or lessee's property and directs and advises a person in taking wildlife.
- B. A person shall not act as a guide unless the person holds one of the following guide licenses:
 1. A hunting guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the taking of lawful wildlife other than aquatic wildlife as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101.
 2. A fishing guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the taking of lawful aquatic wildlife.
 3. A hunting and fishing guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the taking of lawful wildlife.
- C. A guide license shall expire on December 31 of each year.
- D. A person is not eligible to apply for an original or renewal guide license when any one of the following conditions apply:
 1. The applicant was convicted of a felony violation of any federal wildlife law, within five years immediately preceding the date of application;
 2. The applicant was convicted of a violation listed under A.R.S. § 17-309(D), within five years immediately preceding the date of application;
 3. The applicant was convicted of a violation of a federal or state wildlife law for which a license to take wildlife may be revoked or suspended within five years immediately preceding the date of application; or
 4. The applicant's privilege to take or possess wildlife or to guide or act as a guide is currently suspended or revoked anywhere in the United States for violation of a federal or state wildlife law.
- E. Notwithstanding subsection (D), a person who was convicted of a misdemeanor violation of any wildlife law within one year preceding the date of application may apply for a guide license provided the person immediately and voluntarily reported the violation to the Department after committing the violation.
- F. An applicant for a guide license shall:
 1. Be 18 years of age or older, and
 2. Possess the required Department-issued license, as applicable:
 - a. A current Arizona hunting license when applying for a hunting guide license;
 - b. A current Arizona fishing license when applying for a fishing guide license;
 - c. A current Arizona combination hunting and fishing license when applying for a hunting and

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- fishing guide license;
- G. The guide license does not exempt the license holder from any applicable method of take or licensing requirement. The guide license holder shall comply with all applicable Commission rules, including, but not limited to, rules governing:
1. Lawful methods of take,
 2. Lawful devices, and
 3. License requirements.
- H. Unless otherwise provided under this Section, a person shall successfully complete the Department administered examination, and answer at least 80% of the questions correctly, prior to applying for a guide license. Guide examinations are:
1. Provided at a Department office.
 2. Valid for a period up to twelve months prior to the date on which the applicant submits an application to the Department.
 3. Conducted during normal business hours.
 4. Conducted on the first Monday of the month or by special appointment. A person interested in taking the guide examination shall contact a Department office to obtain scheduling information.
- I. The examination is based on the type of guide license the person is seeking.
1. A person shall provide acceptable proof of identity, as listed under subsection (L)(2), prior to taking the examination.
 2. The examination may include questions regarding any of the following topics:
 - a. A.R.S. Title 17 Game and Fish statutes and Commission rules regarding the taking and handling of terrestrial and aquatic wildlife;
 - b. A.R.S. Title 28, Ch 3, Article 20 Off-highway Vehicles statutes and rule regarding the use of off-highway vehicles;
 - c. A.R.S. Title 5, Ch 3, Boating and Water Sports statutes and Commission rules on boating;
 - d. Requirements for guiding on federal lands;
 - e. Identification of aquatic wildlife species;
 - f. Identification of wildlife;
 - g. Special state and federal laws regarding certain species;
 - h. General knowledge of species habitat and wildlife that may occur in the same habitat;
 - i. General knowledge of the types of habitat within the State; and
 - j. General knowledge of special or concurrent jurisdictions within the State.
 3. An applicant who fails an examination may retake the examination on the same day or as otherwise agreed upon by the applicant and the examination administrator. An applicant who fails an examination twice on the same day shall wait at least seven calendar days, from the examination date, before retaking the examination.
- J. In addition to the guide examination requirement under subsection (H), a guide license holder shall take the Department administered examination when:
1. The applicant is applying to add a new guiding authority to a current guide license;
 2. The applicant for a hunting guide license was convicted of a violation of A.R.S. Title 17 or Game and Fish Commission rule governing the taking and handling of terrestrial wildlife within one year preceding the date of application;
 3. The applicant for a fishing guide license was convicted of a violation of A.R.S. Title 17 or Game and Fish Commission rule governing the taking and handling of aquatic wildlife within one year preceding the date of application;
 4. The applicant failed to submit a renewal application postmarked before the expiration date of the guide license; or
 5. The applicant failed to submit the annual report for the preceding license year by January 10 of the following license year.
- K. A person may apply for a guide license by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. A guide license applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth,
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Social Security Number or Department identification number;
 - e. Residency status;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available;
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 - j. Type of guide license sought; and
 - k. Calendar year for which the application is made;
 2. The outfitting or guide:
 - a. Business name; and
 - b. Business address, as applicable;
 3. Responses to questions relating to criminal violations;
 4. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the eligibility requirements prescribed under this Section; and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate;
 5. Applicant's signature and date.
- L. In addition to the requirements listed under subsection (K), an applicant for a guide license shall also submit the following documents at the time of application for an original or renewal of a guide license:
1. Proof of the successful completion of the guide examination required under subsection (H). The applicant must successfully complete the examination within the twelve months immediately preceding the date of application.
 2. One of the following as proof of the applicant's identity:
 - a. Valid U.S. passport;
 - b. Original or certified copy of the applicant's birth certificate;
 - c. Original or copy of a valid government-issued driver's license; or
 - d. Original or copy of a valid government-issued identification card.
- M. All information and documentation provided by the guide license applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- N. An applicant for a guide license shall pay all applicable fees required under R12-4-102 upon approval of an initial or renewal application for a guide license.
- O. The Department shall deny a guide license when the applicant:
1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-362,
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section,
 3. Provides false information during the application process,
 4. Fails to provide the annual report required under subsection (R) by January 10, or
 5. Provides false information in the annual report required under subsection (R) within three years immediately preceding the date of application.
- P. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- Q. A guide license holder may submit an application for renewal of a guide license after December 1 of the year it was issued. The Department shall not start the substantive review, as defined under A.R.S. § 41-1072, before January 10 of the following license year, unless the Department receives the annual report prior to the date established under subsection (R). The current guide license shall remain valid pending a Department decision on the application for renewal, provided:
1. The application for renewal is submitted to the Department by December 31, and
 2. The Department receives the annual report submitted in compliance with subsection (R).
- R. A guide license holder shall submit to the Department the annual report required under A.R.S. § 17-362(C) for the previous calendar year before January 10 of the following license year. The report form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office or online at www.azgfd.gov.
1. A report is required whether or not the license holder performed any guiding activities.
 2. The annual report shall include all of the following information, as applicable:
 - a. License holder's personal information:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Guide license number; and
 - iii. E-mail address, when available; and
 - b. Client's personal information:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Mailing address, and
 - iii. Arizona license, tag and permit numbers, and
 - c. Dates guiding activities were conducted;
 - d. Number and species of wildlife taken by the clients;
 - e. Game management unit or body of water where guiding activities took place;
 - f. Affirmation that the information provided in the annual report is true and accurate; and
 - g. License holder's signature and date.
 3. The Department shall not renew a guide license if the annual report is not submitted to the Department by January 10 of the following license year.
- S. The date of receipt for the items required under subsections (K), (L), (Q), and (R) shall be as follows:
1. The date a person presents the items to a Department office;
 2. The date a private express mail carrier receives the package containing the items as indicated on the shipping package; or
 3. The date of the United States Postal Service postmark stamped on the envelope containing the items.
- T. While performing guide activities or providing guide services, a guide license holder shall:
1. Possess a valid guide license.
 2. Possess a valid Arizona hunting, fishing, or combination hunting and fishing license, as applicable under subsection (F)(2).
 3. Present the license for inspection upon the request of any peace officer, wildlife manager, or game ranger.
 4. Report any violation of a federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule personally witnessed by the guide license holder.
- U. A guide license holder shall not:
1. Use, or allow another person to use, any method or device prohibited under any federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule while taking wildlife.
 2. Aid, counsel, agree to aid, or attempt to aid another person in planning or engaging in conduct that results in a violation of any federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule while taking wildlife.
 3. Pursue any wildlife or hold at bay any wildlife for a person unless that person is present during the pursuit to take the wildlife.
 - a. The person shall be continuously present during the entire pursuit of that specific target animal.

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- b. If dogs are used, the person shall be present when the dogs are released on a specific target animal and shall be continuously present for the remainder of the pursuit.
- 4. Hold wildlife at bay other than during daylight hours, unless a Commission Order authorizes the take of the species at night.
- V. As authorized under A.R.S. § 17-362(A), the Commission may revoke or suspend a guide license when any one or more of the following actions occur:
 - 1. The guide license holder failed to comply with the requirements of A.R.S. Title 17 or was convicted of violating any provision of A.R.S. Title 17.
 - 2. The guide license holder was convicted of a felony violation of any federal wildlife law;
 - 3. The guide license holder was convicted of a violation listed under A.R.S. § 17-309(D);
 - 4. The guide license holder was convicted of a violation of a federal or state wildlife law for which a license to take wildlife may be revoked or suspended; or
 - 5. The guide license holder's privilege to take or possess wildlife is suspended or revoked by any jurisdiction for violation of a federal or state wildlife law.

R12-4-216

Crossbow Permit

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "healthcare provider" means a person who is licensed to practice by the federal government, any state, or U.S. territory with one of the following credentials:
Medical Doctor,
Doctor of Osteopathy,
Doctor of Chiropractic,
Nurse Practitioner, or
Physician Assistant.
- B. A crossbow permit allows a person to use a crossbow, or any bow to be drawn and held with an assisting device, during an archery-only season, as prescribed under R12-4-318, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted.
- C. The crossbow permit does not exempt the permit holder from any other applicable method of take or licensing requirement. The permit holder shall be responsible for compliance with all applicable regulatory requirements.
- D. The crossbow permit does not expire, unless:
 - 1. The medical certification portion of the application indicates the person has a temporary physical disability; then the crossbow permit shall be valid only for the period of time indicated on the crossbow permit as specified by the healthcare provider,
 - 2. The permit holder no longer meets the criteria for obtaining the crossbow permit, or
 - 3. The Commission revokes the person's hunting privileges under A.R.S. § 17-340. A person whose crossbow permit is revoked by the Commission may petition the Commission for a rehearing as established under R12-4-607.
- E. An applicant for a crossbow permit shall apply by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. A crossbow permit applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 - 1. The applicant's:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 - 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the requirements of this Section, and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate, and
 - 3. Applicant's signature and date.
 - 4. The certification portion of the application shall be completed by a healthcare provider. The healthcare provider shall:
 - a. Certify the applicant has one or more of the following physical limitations:
 - i. An amputation involving body extremities required for stable function to use conventional archery equipment;
 - ii. A spinal cord injury resulting in a disability to the lower extremities, leaving the applicant nonambulatory;
 - iii. A wheelchair restriction;
 - iv. A neuromuscular condition that prevents the applicant from drawing and holding a bow;
 - v. A failed functional draw test that equals 30 pounds of resistance and involves holding it for four seconds;
 - vi. A failed manual muscle test involving the grading of shoulder and elbow flexion and extension or an impaired range-of-motion test involving the shoulder or elbow; or
 - vii. A combination of comparable physical disabilities resulting in the applicant's inability to draw and hold a bow.
 - b. Indicate whether the disability is temporary or permanent and, when temporary, specify the expected duration of the physical limitation; and
 - c. Provide the healthcare provider's:
 - i. Typed or printed name,
 - ii. License number,
 - iii. Business address,
 - iv. Telephone number, and
 - v. Signature and date;
 - 5. A person who holds a valid Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) and who is applying for a crossbow permit is exempt from the requirements of subsection (E)(4) and shall indicate "CHAMP" in the space provided for the medical certification on the crossbow permit application.
- F. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- G. The Department shall deny a crossbow permit when the applicant:
 - 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under this Section,
 - 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 - 3. Provides false information during the application process.
- H. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- I. The applicant claiming a temporary or permanent disability is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the medical documentation, re-evaluation of the information, or a second medical opinion.
- J. When acting under the authority of a crossbow permit, the crossbow permit holder shall possess the permit, and exhibit the permit upon request to any peace officer, wildlife manager, or game ranger.
- K. A crossbow permit holder shall not:
 - 1. Transfer the permit to another person, or
 - 2. Allow another person to use or possess the permit.

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Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP)

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
"Healthcare provider" means a person who is licensed to practice by the federal government, any state, or U.S. territory with one of the following credentials:
Medical Doctor,
Doctor of Osteopathy,
Doctor of Chiropractic,
Nurse Practitioner, or
Physician Assistant.
"Severe permanent disability" means one or more permanent physical or mental disabilities resulting from amputation, arthritis, autism, blindness, burn injury, cancer, cerebral palsy, cystic fibrosis, intellectual disability, muscular dystrophy, musculoskeletal disorders, neurological disorders, paraplegia, pulmonary disorders, quadriplegia and other spinal cord conditions, sickle cell anemia, and end stage renal disease or a combination of permanent disabilities resulting in comparable substantial functional limitations.
- B. The Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) allows a person with a severe permanent disability to perform one or more of the following activities:
 - 1. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a motor vehicle if, under existing conditions:
 - a. The discharge is otherwise lawful;
 - b. The motor vehicle is not in motion;
 - c. The motor vehicle is not on any road, as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101; and
 - d. The motor vehicle's engine is turned off.
 - 2. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a watercraft, as defined under R12-4-501; provided the motor is turned off, the sail furled, or both; and progress has ceased.
 - a. The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or propelled by paddle, oars, or pole.
 - b. A person may use a watercraft under power to retrieve dead or wounded wildlife.
 - c. For the purposes of this subsection, "watercraft" does not include a sinkbox.
 - 3. Use off-road locations in a motor vehicle if use is not in conflict with federal or state statutes or regulations or local ordinances or regulations and the motor vehicle is used as a place to wait for game. A person shall not use a motor vehicle to chase or pursue game.
 - 4. Designate an assistant to track and dispatch a wounded animal, and to retrieve the animal, in accordance with the requirements of this Section.
- C. The CHAMP holder shall comply with all applicable regulatory requirements. A CHAMP does not exempt the permit holder from any other applicable method of take or licensing requirement.
- D. The CHAMP does not expire, unless:
 - 1. The permit holder no longer meets the criteria for obtaining the CHAMP, or
 - 2. The Commission revokes the person's hunting privileges under A.R.S. § 17-340. A person whose CHAMP is revoked by the Commission may petition the Commission for a rehearing as established under R12-4-607.
- E. An applicant for a CHAMP shall apply by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available from any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. The CHAMP applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 - 1. The applicant's:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;

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- d. Department identification number, when applicable;
- e. Residency status;
- f. Mailing address, when applicable;
- g. Physical address;
- h. Telephone number, when available; and
- i. E-mail address, when available;
2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the requirements of this Section, and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate, and
3. Applicant's signature and date.
4. The certification portion of the application shall be completed by a healthcare provider. The healthcare provider shall:
 - a. Certify the applicant is a person with a severe permanent disability as defined under subsection (A), and
 - b. Provide the healthcare provider's:
 - i. Typed or printed name,
 - ii. Business address,
 - iii. Telephone number, and
 - iv. Signature and date;
- F. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- G. The applicant claiming a severe permanent disability is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the medical documentation, re-evaluation of the information, or a second medical opinion.
- H. The Department shall deny a CHAMP when the applicant:
 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under this Section,
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 3. Provides false information during the application process.
- I. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- J. When acting under the authority of the CHAMP, the permit holder shall possess and exhibit the permit upon request to any peace officer, wildlife manager, or game ranger.
- K. The CHAMP holder shall ensure the CHAMP vehicle placard, issued with the CHAMP, is visibly displayed on the motor vehicle or watercraft when in use.
- L. The Department shall provide a CHAMP holder with a dispatch permit that allows the CHAMP holder to designate a licensed hunter as an assistant to:
 1. Dispatch and retrieve an animal wounded by the CHAMP holder, or
 2. Retrieve wildlife killed by the CHAMP holder.
- M. The CHAMP holder shall:
 1. Designate an assistant only after the animal is wounded or killed.
 2. Ensure the designation on the dispatch permit is in ink and includes a:
 - a. A description of the animal,
 - b. The assistant's name and valid Arizona hunting license number,
 - c. The date and time the animal was wounded or killed, and
 3. Ensure compliance with all of the following requirements:
 - a. The site where the animal is wounded and the location from which tracking begins are marked so they can be identified later.
 - b. The assistant possesses the dispatch permit and a valid hunting license while tracking and dispatching the wounded animal. When acting under the authority of the dispatch permit, the assistant shall possess and exhibit the dispatch permit and hunting license upon request to any peace officer, wildlife manager, or game ranger.

- c. The CHAMP holder is in the field while the assistant is tracking and dispatching the wounded animal.
- d. The assistant does not transfer the dispatch permit to anyone except that the dispatch permit may be transferred back to the CHAMP holder.
- e. Dispatch is made by a method that is lawful for the take of the particular animal in the particular season in accordance with requirements established under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- f. The assistant attaches the dispatch permit to the carcass of the animal and returns the carcass to the CHAMP holder, and the tag of the CHAMP holder is affixed to the carcass.
- g. If the assistant is unsuccessful in locating and dispatching the wounded animal, the assistant returns the dispatch permit to the CHAMP holders. The CHAMP holder shall strike the name and authorization of the assistant from the dispatch permit.
- N. A dispatch permit may not be reused when all spaces for designation of an assistant are filled or the dispatch permit is attached to a carcass. The CHAMP holder may request another dispatch permit from the Department if:
 1. All spaces for assistants are filled,
 2. The dispatch permit is lost, or
 3. When the CHAMP holder needs another dispatch permit for another big game hunt.
- O. A CHAMP holder shall not:
 1. Transfer the permit to another person, or
 2. Allow another person to use or possess the permit.

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Definitions

In addition to the definitions provided under A.R.S. § 17-101, the following definitions apply to this Article unless otherwise specified:

"Administer" means to pursue, capture, or otherwise restrain wildlife in order to directly apply a drug to wildlife by injection, inhalation, ingestion or any other means.

"Aircraft" means any contrivance used for flight in the air or any lighter-than-air contrivance.

"Artificial lures and flies" means man-made devices intended as visual attractants for fish and does not include living or dead organisms or edible parts of those organisms, natural or prepared food stuffs, artificial salmon eggs, artificial corn, or artificial marshmallows.

"Barbless hook" means any fishhook manufactured without barbs or on which the barbs have been completely closed or removed.

"Body-gripping trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by gripping the animal's body.

"Cervid" means any member of the deer family (Cervidae); which includes caribou, elk, moose, mule deer, reindeer, wapiti, and whitetail deer.

"Confinement trap" means a device designed to capture wildlife alive and hold it without harm.

"Crayfish net" means a net that does not exceed 36 inches on a side or in diameter and is retrieved by means of a hand-held line.

"Dip net" means any net, excluding the handle, that is no greater than 3 feet in the greatest dimension, that is hand-held, non-motorized, and the motion of the net is caused by the physical effort of the individual.

"Drug" means any chemical substance, other than food or mineral supplements, which affects the structure or biological function of wildlife.

"Evidence of legality" means the wildlife is accompanied by the applicable license, tag, stamp, or permit required by law and is identifiable as the "legal wildlife" prescribed by Commission Order, which may include evidence of species, gender, antler or horn growth, maturity and size.

"Foothold trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by the leg or foot.

"Instant kill trap" means a device designed to render an animal unconscious and insensitive to pain quickly with inevitable subsidence into death without recovery of consciousness.

"Land set" means any trap used on land rather than in water.

"Minnow trap" means a trap with dimensions that do not exceed 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width and 24 inches in length.

"Muzzleloading handgun" means a firearm intended to be fired from the hand, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.

"Muzzleloading rifle" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.

"Nonprofit organization" means an organization that is recognized as nonprofit under Section 501(c) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

"Paste-type bait" means a partially liquefied substance used as a lure for animals.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, non-governmental organization or club, licensed animal shelter, government entity other than the Department, and any officer, employee, volunteer, member, or agent of a person.

"Pre-charged pneumatic weapon" means an air gun or pneumatic weapon that is charged from an external high compression source such as an air compressor, air tank, or external hand pump.

"Sight-exposed bait" means a carcass or parts of a carcass lying openly on the ground or suspended in a manner so that it can be seen from above by a bird. This does not include a trap flag, dried or bleached bone with no attached tissue, or less than two ounces of paste-type bait.

"Simultaneous fishing" means taking fish by using two lines and not more than two hooks or two artificial lures or flies per line.

"Sinkbox" means a low floating device with a depression that affords a hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.

"Trap flag" means an attractant made from materials other than animal parts that is suspended at least three feet above the ground.

"Water set" means any trap used and anchored in water rather than on land.

R12-4-302

Use of Tags

- A. In addition to meeting requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-331, an individual who takes wildlife shall have in possession any tag required for the particular season or hunt area.
- B. A tag obtained in violation of statute or rule is invalid and shall not be used to take, transport, or possess wildlife.
- C. An individual who lawfully possesses both a nonpermit-tag and a hunt permit-tag shall not take a genus or species in excess of the bag limit established by Commission Order for that genus or species.
- D. An individual shall:
 1. Take and tag only the wildlife identified on the tag; and
 2. Use a tag only in the season and hunt for which the tag is valid, as specified by Commission Order.
- E. Except as permitted under R12-4-217, an individual shall not:
 1. Allow their tag to be attached to wildlife killed by another individual,
 2. Allow their tag to be possessed by another individual who is in a hunt area,

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3. Attach their tag to wildlife killed by another individual,
 4. Attach a tag issued to another individual to wildlife, or
 5. Possess a tag issued to another individual while in a hunt area.
- F. Except as permitted under R12-4-217, immediately after an individual kills wildlife, the individual shall attach the tag to the wildlife carcass in the following manner:
1. Remove all of the detachable paper covering from the adhesive back of the tag;
 2. Seal the exposed adhesive portions of the tag around the wildlife so the tag cannot be removed or reused and all printing on the face of the tag is visible, and
 - a. For antelope, deer, or elk: seal the tag around the antler or horn, or through the gambrel of a hind leg;
 - b. For bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo, javelina, or mountain lion: seal the tag through the gambrel of a hind leg; and
 - c. For pheasant, sandhill crane, or turkey: seal the tag around the neck or a leg.
- G. An individual who lawfully takes wildlife with a valid tag and authorizes another individual to possess, transport, or ship the tagged portion of the carcass shall complete the Transportation and Shipping Permit portion of the original tag authorizing the take of that animal.
- H. If a tag is sealed or mutilated or the Transportation and Shipping Permit portion of the tag is signed or filled out, the tag is no longer valid for the take of wildlife.

R12-4-303

Unlawful Devices, Methods, and Ammunition

- A. In addition to the prohibitions prescribed under A.R.S. §§ 17-301 and 17-309, the following devices, methods, and ammunition are unlawful for taking any wildlife in this state:
1. An individual shall not use any of the following to take wildlife:
 - a. Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire; or
 - b. Tracer, armor-piercing, or full-jacketed ammunition designed for military use.
 2. An individual shall not use or possess any of the following while taking wildlife:
 - a. Poisoned projectiles or projectiles that contain explosives;
 - b. Pitfalls of greater than 5-gallon size, explosives, poisons, or stupefying substances, except as permitted under A.R.S. § 17-239 or as allowed by a scientific collecting permit issued under A.R.S. § 17-238;
 - c. Any lure, attractant, or cover scent containing any cervid urine; or
 - d. Electronic night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light-gathering devices, thermal imaging devices or laser sights; except for devices such as laser range finders, scopes with self-illuminating reticles, and fiber optic sights with self-illuminating sights or pins that do not project a visible light onto an animal.
 3. An individual shall not:
 - a. Hold wildlife at bay other than during daylight hours, unless authorized by Commission Order.
 - b. Injure, confine, or place a tracking device in or on wildlife for the purpose of aiding another individual to take wildlife.
 - c. Place any substance, device, or object in, on, or by any water source to prevent wildlife from using that water source.
 - d. Place any substance in a manner intended to attract bears.
 - e. Use a manual or powered jacking or prying device to take reptiles or amphibians.
 - f. Use dogs to pursue, tree, corner or hold at bay any wildlife for a hunter unless that hunter is

present for the entire hunt.

- g. Take migratory game birds, except Eurasian Collared-doves, using a shotgun larger than 10 gauge, a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed without disassembling the shotgun so that its total capacity does not exceed three shells, electronically amplified bird calls, or baits, as prohibited under 50 CFR 20.21, revised October 1, 2009. The material incorporated by reference in this Section does not include any later amendments or editions. The incorporated material is available at any Department office, online from the Government Printing Office web site www.gpoaccess.gov, or may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N. Capitol St. N.W., Stop IDCC, Washington, D.C. 20401.
 - h. Discharge a pneumatic weapon .30 caliber or larger while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident.
4. An individual shall not use edible or ingestible substances to aid in taking big game. The use of edible or ingestible substances to aid in taking big game is unlawful when:
- a. An individual places edible or ingestible substances for the purpose of attracting or taking big game, or
 - b. An individual knowingly takes big game with the aid of edible or ingestible substances placed for the purpose of attracting wildlife to a specific location.
5. Subsection (A)(4) does not limit Department employees or Department agents in the performance of their official duties.
6. For the purposes of subsection (A)(4), edible or ingestible substances do not include any of the following:
- a. Water.
 - b. Salt.
 - c. Salt-based materials produced and manufactured for the livestock industry.
 - d. Nutritional supplements produced and manufactured for the livestock industry and placed during the course of livestock or agricultural operations.
- B. Wildlife taken in violation of this Section is unlawfully taken.
- C. This Section does not apply to any activity allowed under A.R.S. § 17-302, to an individual acting within the scope of their official duties as an employee of the state or United States, or as authorized by the Department.

R12-4-304

Lawful Methods for Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. An individual may only use the following methods to take big game when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303 and R12-4-318.
1. To take antelope:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and

- i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(1)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
2. To take bear:
- a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
 - i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(2)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device; and
- j. Pursuit with dogs only between August 1 and December 31, provided the individual shall immediately kill or release the bear after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay. For the purpose of this subsection, "release" means the individual removes the dogs from the area so the bear can escape on its own after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay.
3. To take bighorn sheep:
- a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
 - i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(3)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
4. To take buffalo:
- a. State-wide, except for the game management units identified under subsection (A)(4)(b):
 - i. Centerfire rifles;
 - ii. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - iv. Centerfire handguns no less than .41 Magnum or centerfire handguns with an overall cartridge length of no less than two inches;
 - v. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads of no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
 - vi. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(4)(a)(v) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.

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- b. In game management units 5A and 5B:
 - i. Centerfire rifles;
 - ii. Muzzleloading rifles; and
 - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder.
- 5. To take deer:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
 - i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(5)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
- 6. To take elk:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
 - h. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(6)(g) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
- 7. To take javelina:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
 - i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(7)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device;
 - j. .22 rimfire magnum rifles; and
 - k. 5 mm rimfire magnum rifles.
- 8. To take mountain lion:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs or shot;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
 - i. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(8)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device;
 - j. Artificial light, during seasons with day-long hours, provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail; and
 - k. Pursuit with dogs, provided the individual shall immediately kill or release the mountain lion after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay. For the purpose of this subsection, "release" means the individual removes the dogs from the area so the mountain lion can escape on its own after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay.
- 9. To take turkey:
 - a. Shotguns shooting shot;
 - b. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more lbs, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
 - c. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (A)(9)(b) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
- B. An individual may only use the following methods to take small game, when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303 and R12-4-318.
 - 1. To take cottontail rabbits and tree squirrels:
 - a. Firearms;
 - b. Bow and arrow;
 - c. Crossbow;
 - d. Pneumatic weapons;
 - e. Slingshots;
 - f. Hand-held projectiles;
 - g. Falconry; and
 - h. Dogs.
 - 2. To take all upland game birds and Eurasian Collared-doves:
 - a. Bow and arrow;
 - b. Falconry;
 - c. Pneumatic weapons;
 - d. Shotguns shooting shot, only;
 - e. Handguns shooting shot, only;
 - f. Crossbow;
 - g. Slingshot;
 - h. Hand-held projectiles; and
 - i. Dogs.
 - 3. To take migratory game birds, except Eurasian Collared-doves:
 - a. Bow and arrow;
 - b. Crossbow;
 - c. Falconry;
 - d. Dogs;
 - e. Shotguns shooting shot:
 - i. Ten gauge or smaller, except that lead shot shall not be used or possessed while taking ducks, geese, swans, mergansers, common moorhens, or coots; and
 - ii. Incapable of holding more than a total of three shells, as prescribed under 50 CFR 20.21, published October 1, 2009. The material incorporated by reference in this subsection does not include any later amendments or editions. The material is available at any Department office, online from the Government Printing Office web site www.gpoaccess.gov, or may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, 732 N. Capitol St. N.W., Stop: IDCC, Washington, D.C. 20401.
- C. An individual may take waterfowl from any watercraft, except a sinkbox, subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The motor is shut off, the sail is furled, as applicable, and any progress from a motor or sail has ceased;
 - 2. The watercraft may be:
 - a. Adrift as a result of current or wind action;
 - b. Beached;
 - c. Moored;
 - d. Resting at anchor; or
 - e. Propelled by paddle, oars, or pole; and
 - 3. The individual may only use the watercraft under power to retrieve dead or crippled waterfowl; shooting is prohibited while the watercraft is underway.
- D. An individual may take predatory and furbearing animals by using the following methods, when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303 and R12-4-318:
 - 1. Firearms;
 - 2. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .22 caliber or larger;
 - 3. Bow and arrow;
 - 4. Crossbow;
 - 5. Traps not prohibited under R12-4-307;
 - 6. Artificial light while taking raccoon provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail;
 - 7. Artificial light while taking coyote during seasons with day-long hours, provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail; and
 - 8. Dogs.
- E. An individual may take nongame mammals and birds by any method authorized by Commission Order and not prohibited under R12-4-303 or R12-4-318, subject to the following restrictions. An individual:
 - 1. Shall not take nongame mammals and birds using foothold traps;
 - 2. Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release nontarget species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
 - 3. Shall not use firearms at night; and
 - 4. May use artificial light while taking nongame mammals and birds, if the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.
- F. An individual may take reptiles by any method not prohibited under R12-4-303 or R12-4-318 subject to the following restrictions. An individual:
 - 1. Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release nontarget species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
 - 2. Shall not use firearms at night; and
 - 3. May use artificial light while taking reptiles provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.

R12-4-305

Possessing, Transporting, Importing, Exporting, and Selling Carcasses or Parts of Wildlife

- A. An individual shall ensure that evidence of legality remains with the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wild mammal, bird, or reptile that the individual possesses, transports, or

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- imports until arrival at the individual's permanent abode, a commercial processing plant, or the place where the wildlife is to be consumed.
- B. In addition to the requirement in subsection (A), an individual possessing or transporting the following wildlife shall ensure each:
1. Big game animal, sandhill crane, and pheasant has the required valid tag attached as prescribed under R12-4-302;
 2. Migratory game bird, except sandhill cranes, has one fully feathered wing attached;
 3. Sandhill crane has either the fully feathered head or one fully feathered wing attached; and
 4. Quail has attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached, when the current Commission Order has established separate bag or possession limits for any species of quail.
- C. An individual who has lawfully taken wildlife that requires a valid tag when prescribed by the Commission may authorize its transportation or shipment by completing and signing the Transportation and Shipping Permit portion of the valid tag for that animal. A separate Transportation and Shipping Permit issued by the Department is necessary to transport or ship to another state or country any big game taken with a resident license. Under A.R.S. § 17-372(B), an individual may ship other lawfully taken wildlife by common carrier after obtaining a valid Transportation and Shipping Permit issued by the Department. The individual shall provide the following information on the permit form:
1. Number and description of the wildlife to be transported or shipped;
 2. Name, address, license number, and license class of the individual who took the wildlife;
 3. Tag number;
 4. Name and address of the individual receiving a portion of the carcass of the wildlife as authorized under subsection (D), if applicable;
 5. Address of destination where the wildlife is to be transported or shipped; and
 6. Name and address of transporter or shipper.
- D. An individual who lawfully takes wildlife under a tag may authorize another individual to possess the head or carcass of the wildlife by separating and attaching the tag as prescribed under R12-4-302.
- E. An individual who receives a portion of the wildlife shall provide the identity of the individual who took and gave the portion of the wildlife.
- F. An individual shall not possess the horns of a bighorn sheep, taken by a hunter in this state, unless the horns are marked or sealed as prescribed under R12-4-308.
- G. Except as provided under R12-4-307, before an individual may sell, offer for sale, or export the raw pelt or unskinned carcass of a bobcat taken in this state the individual shall:
1. Present the bobcat for inspection at any Department office, and
 2. Purchase a bobcat seal by paying the fee established under R12-4-102 at any Department office or other location as determined and published by the Department. Department personnel or an authorized agent shall attach and lock the bobcat seal only to a pelt or unskinned carcass presented with a validated transportation tag.
- H. An individual who takes bear or mountain lion under A.R.S. § 17-302 during a closed season may retain the carcass of the wildlife if the individual has a valid hunting license and the carcass is immediately tagged with a nonpermit-tag as required under R12-4-114 and R12-4-302, unless the individual has already taken the applicable bag limit for that big game animal. An animal retained under this subsection shall count towards the applicable bag limit for bear or mountain lion as authorized by Commission Order. The individual shall comply with inspection and reporting requirements established under R12-4-308.
- I. An individual may possess, transport, or import only the following portions of a cervid lawfully taken in another state or country:
1. Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged;
 2. Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached, except as required for proof of legality;
 3. Clean skulls with antlers, clean skull plates, or antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached;
 4. Finished taxidermy mounts or products; and
 5. Upper canine teeth with no meat or tissue attached.
- J. A private game farm license holder may transport a cervid lawfully killed or slaughtered at the license holder's game farm to a licensed meat processor.
- K. An individual may possess or transport only the following portions of a cervid lawfully killed or slaughtered at a private game farm authorized under R12-4-413:
1. Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged;
 2. Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached;
 3. Clean skulls with antlers, clean skull plates, or antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached;
 4. Finished taxidermy mounts or products; and
 5. Upper canine teeth with no meat or tissue attached.
- L. An individual who obtains buffalo meat as authorized under R12-4-306 may sell the meat.
- M. Except for cervids, which are subject to requirements established under subsections (I), (J), and (K), an individual may import into this state the carcasses or parts of wildlife, including aquatic wildlife, lawfully taken in another state or country if transported and exported in accordance with the laws of the state or country of origin.
- N. An individual in possession of or transporting the carcass of any freshwater fish taken within this state shall ensure that the head, tail, or skin is attached so that the species can be identified, numbers counted, and any required length determined.
- O. An individual shall not transport live crayfish from the site where taken, except as permitted under R12-4-316.
- P. An individual in possession of a carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), buffalofish (*Ictiobus spp.*), or crayfish (families Astacidae, Cambaridae, and Parastacidae) carcass taken under Commission Order may sell the carcass.

R12-4-306

Buffalo Hunt Requirements

- A. When authorized by Commission Order, the Department shall conduct a hunt to harvest buffalo from the state's buffalo herds.
- B. A hunter with a buffalo permit-tag or nonpermit-tag shall:
1. Provide a signed written acknowledgment that the hunter received, read, understands, and agrees to comply with the requirements of this Section.
 2. Be accompanied by an authorized Department employee, when required, and
 3. Take only the buffalo designated by the Department employee, when required.
- C. For the House Rock Herd (Units 12A, 12B, and 13A): when required by the Department, a hunter with a nonpermit-tag shall:
1. Hunt in the order scheduled.
 2. Be accompanied by a Department employee who:
 - a. Shall designate the buffalo to be harvested, and
 - b. May assist in taking the buffalo if the hunter fails to dispatch a wounded buffalo within a reasonable period.
- D. For the Raymond Herd (Units 5A and 5B):
1. A hunter with a permit-tag shall:
 - a. Hunt in the order scheduled, and
 - b. Be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who:
 - i. Shall designate the buffalo to be harvested, and
 - ii. May assist in taking the buffalo if the hunter fails to dispatch a wounded buffalo within a reasonable period.
 2. When required by the Department, a hunter with a

nonpermit-tag shall:

- a. Hunt in the order scheduled,
 - b. Be accompanied by a Department employee who:
 - i. Shall designate the buffalo to be harvested.
 - ii. May assist in taking the buffalo if the hunter fails to dispatch a wounded buffalo within a reasonable period.
- E. A hunter issued a buffalo permit-tag or non-permit tag shall check out no more than three days after the end of the hunt, regardless of whether the hunter was successful, unsuccessful, or did not participate in a buffalo hunt.
1. House Rock Herd (Units 12A, 12B, and 13A): a hunter may check out either in person or by telephone at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters, the Jacob Lake Check station when open during deer season, or the Department's Flagstaff regional office.
 2. Raymond Herd (Units 5A and 5B):
 - a. A successful hunter shall check out in person at the Raymond Wildlife Area headquarters or the Department's Flagstaff regional office. The hunter shall present the buffalo to the Department for the purpose of gathering biological data.
 - b. An unsuccessful hunter shall check out by telephone at the Raymond Wildlife Area headquarters or the Department's Flagstaff regional office.
 3. At the time of check-out, the hunter shall provide all of the following information:
 - a. Hunter's name,
 - b. Hunter's contact number,
 - c. Tag number,
 - d. Sex of buffalo taken,
 - e. Age of the buffalo taken: adult or yearling,
 - f. Number of days hunted, and
 - g. Number of buffalo seen while hunting.
 4. When accompanied by an authorized Department employee, the employee shall conduct the check-out at the end of the hunt.
- F. Failure to comply with the requirements of this Section shall result in the invalidation of the hunter's permit-tag or nonpermit-tag, consistent with the written acknowledgment signed and agreed to by the hunter.

R12-4-307

Trapping Regulations: Licensing; Methods; Tagging of Bobcat Pelts

- A. An Arizona trapping license permits an individual to trap predatory and fur-bearing animals. The Department shall issue a registration number to a trapper and enter the number on the trapping license at the time the trapper purchases the license. The trapper registration number is not transferable.
- B. A trapping license is required for any individual 14 years of age and older. An individual under the age of 14 is not required to purchase a trapping license, but shall apply for and obtain a registration number.
- C. An individual born on or after January 1, 1967 shall successfully complete a Department-approved trapping education course before applying for a trapping license.
- D. An individual applying for a trapping registration number or trapping license shall pay the applicable fees established under R12-4-102.
- E. An individual applying for a trapping registration number or trapping license shall apply using a form furnished by the Department. The form is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. The individual shall provide all of the following information on the form:
1. Applicant's:
 - a. Full name, address, and telephone number;
 - b. Date of birth and physical description;
 2. Identification number assigned by the Department;
 3. Category of license:
 - a. Resident,

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- b. Nonresident, or
 - c. Juvenile, and
 - 4. The applicant's signature.
 - F. A trapper may only trap predatory and fur-bearing animals during trapping seasons established by Commission Order.
 - G. A trapper shall:
 - 1. Inspect traps daily;
 - 2. Kill or release all predatory and fur-bearing animals;
 - 3. Possess a choke restraint device that enables the trapper to release a javelina from a trap when trapping in a javelina hunt unit, as designated by Commission Order;
 - 4. Possess a device that is designed or manufactured to restrain a trapped animal while it is being removed from a trap when its release is required by this Section; and
 - 5. Release, without additional injury, all animals that cannot lawfully be taken by trap.
 - 6. Subsections (G)(3) and (G)(4) do not apply when the trapper is using a confinement trap.
 - H. A trapper shall not:
 - 1. Bait a confinement trap with:
 - a. A live animal;
 - b. Any edible parts of small game, big game, or game fish; or
 - c. Any part of any game bird or nongame bird.
 - 2. Set any trap within:
 - a. One-half mile of any of the following areas developed for public use:
 - i. Boat launching area,
 - ii. Camping area,
 - iii. Picnic area, or
 - iv. Roadside rest area.
 - b. One-half mile of any occupied residence or building without permission of the owner or resident.
 - c. One-hundred yards of an interstate highway or any other highway maintained by the Arizona Department of Transportation.
 - d. Fifty feet of any trail maintained for public use by a government agency.
 - e. Seventy-five feet of any other road as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101.
 - f. Subsections (H)(2)(b), (H)(2)(c), (H)(2)(d), and (H)(2)(e) do not apply when the trapper is using a confinement trap.
 - 3. Set a foothold trap within 30 feet of sight-exposed bait.
 - 4. Use any:
 - a. Body-gripping or other instant kill trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 5 inches for any land set or 10 inches for any water set;
 - b. Foothold trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 7 1/2 inches for any water set;
 - c. Snare, unless authorized under subsection (I);
 - d. Trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 6 1/2 inches for any land set; or
 - e. Trap with teeth.
 - I. A trapper who uses a foothold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall use commercially manufactured traps that meet the following specifications:
 - 1. A padded or rubber-jawed trap or an unpadded trap with jaws permanently offset to a minimum of 3/16 inch and a device that allows for pan tension adjustment;
 - 2. A foothold trap that captures wildlife by means of an enclosed bar or spring designed to prevent the capture of non-targeted wildlife or domestic animals; or
 - 3. A powered cable device with an inside frame hinge width no wider than 6 inches, a cable loop stop size of at least 2 inches in diameter to prevent capture of small non-target species, and a device that allows for a pan tension adjustment.
 - J. A trapper who uses a foothold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall ensure that the trap has an anchor chain equipped with at least two swivels as follows:
 - 1. An anchor chain 12 inches or less in length shall have a swivel attached at each end.
 - 2. An anchor chain greater than 12 inches in length shall have one swivel attached at the trap and one swivel attached within 12 inches of the trap. The anchor chain shall be equipped with a shock-absorbing spring that requires less than 40 pounds of force to extend or open the spring.
 - K. A trapper shall ensure that each trap has either the name and address or the registration number of the trapper marked on a metal tag attached to the trap. The number assigned by the Department is the only acceptable registration number.
 - L. A trapper shall immediately attach a valid bobcat transportation tag to the pelt or unskinned carcass of a bobcat taken in this state. The trapper shall validate the transportation tag by providing all of the following information on the bobcat transportation tag:
 - 1. Current trapping license number,
 - 2. Game management unit where the bobcat was taken,
 - 3. Sex of the bobcat, and
 - 4. Method by which the bobcat was taken.
 - M. The Department shall provide transportation tags with each trapping license. Additional transportation tags are available at any Department office at no charge.
 - N. A trapper shall ensure that all bobcats taken in this state have a bobcat seal attached and locked either through the mouth and an eye opening or through both eye openings no later than 10 days after the close of trapping season.
 - 1. When available, bobcat seals are issued on a first-come, first-served basis at Department offices and other locations at those times and places as determined and published by the Department.
 - 2. The trapper shall pay the bobcat seal fee established under R12-4-102.
 - 3. Department personnel or an authorized agent shall attach and lock a bobcat seal only to a pelt or unskinned carcass presented with a validated transportation tag and a complete lower jaw identified with labels provided with the transportation tag. Department personnel or authorized agents shall collect the transportation tags and jaws before attaching the bobcat seal.
 - O. Department personnel shall attach a bobcat seal to a bobcat pelt seized under A.R.S. § 17-211(E)(4) before disposal by the Department to the public.
 - P. A licensed trapper shall file the annual report prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-361(D).
 - 1. The trapper shall submit the report to Arizona Game and Fish Department, Game Branch, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086 by April 1 of each year.
 - 2. A report is required even when trapping activities were not conducted. The report form is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov.
 - 3. The Department shall deny a trapping license to any trapper who fails to submit an annual report until the trapper complies with reporting requirements.
 - Q. Persons suffering property loss or damage due to wildlife and who take responsive measures as permitted under A.R.S. §§ 17-239 and 17-302 are exempt from this Section. This exemption does not authorize any form of trapping prohibited under A.R.S. § 17-301.
- R12-4-308**
Wildlife Inspections, Check Stations, and Roadblocks
- A. The Department has the authority to establish mandatory wildlife check stations.
 - 1. The Department shall publish in the Commission Order establishing the season the:
 - a. Location,
 - b. Check in requirements, and
 - c. Check-out requirements for that specific season.
 - 2. The Department shall ensure a wildlife check station with a published:
 - a. Check in requirement is open:
 - i. 8:00 a.m. the day before the season until 8:00 p.m. the first day of the season, and
 - ii. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season.
 - b. Check-out requirement is open:
 - i. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season, and
 - ii. Until 12:00 noon on the day after the close of the season.
 - 3. A hunter shall:
 - a. Check in at a wildlife check station in person before hunting when the Department includes a check in requirement in the Commission Order for that season;
 - b. Check out at a wildlife check station in person after hunting when the Department includes a check-out requirement in the Commission Order for that season and shall:
 - i. Present for inspection any wildlife taken;
 - ii. Display any license, tag, or permit required for taking or transporting wildlife.
 - B. The Department may conduct inspections of lawfully taken wildlife at the Department's Phoenix and regional offices or designated locations during the posted business hours.
 - 1. A bighorn sheep hunter shall check out either in person or by designee within three days after the close of the season. The hunter or designee shall submit the intact horns and skull for inspection and photographing. A Department representative shall affix a mark or seal to one horn of each bighorn sheep lawfully taken under Commission Order. It is unlawful for any person to remove, alter, or obliterate the mark or seal.
 - 2. A successful bear or mountain lion hunter shall:
 - a. Report information about the kill to the Department either in person or by telephone within 48 hours of taking the wildlife. The report shall include the:
 - i. Name of the hunter,
 - ii. Hunter's hunting license number,
 - iii. Sex of the wildlife taken,
 - iv. Management unit where the wildlife was taken,
 - v. Telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information, and
 - vi. Any additional information required by the Department.
 - b. Present either in person or by designee the skull, hide, and attached proof of sex for inspection within 10 days of taking the wildlife. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible.
 - 3. For seasons other than bear, bighorn sheep, or mountain lion, where a harvest objective is established, a successful hunter shall report information about the kill either in person or by telephone within 48 hours of taking the wildlife. The report shall include the information required under subsection (B)(2)(a).
 - C. The Director may establish vehicle roadblocks at specific locations when necessary to ensure compliance with applicable wildlife laws. Any occupant of a vehicle at a roadblock shall, upon request, present for inspection all wildlife in possession, and produce and display any license, tag, stamp, or permit required for taking or transporting wildlife.
 - D. This Section does not limit the game ranger or wildlife manager's authority to conduct stops, searches, and inspections authorized under A.R.S. §§ 17-211(E), 17-250(A)(4), and 17-331, or to establish voluntary wildlife survey stations to gather biological information.

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R12-4-318

Seasons for Lawfully Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. Methods of lawfully taking wild mammals, birds, and reptiles during seasons designated by Commission Order as “general” seasons are designated under R12-4-304.
- B. Methods of lawfully taking big game during seasons designated by Commission Order as “special” are designated under R12-4-304. “Special” seasons are open only to a person who possesses a special big game license tag authorized under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.
- C. When designated by Commission Order, the following seasons have specific requirements and lawful methods of take more restrictive than those for general and special seasons, as prescribed under this Section. While taking the species authorized by the season, a person participating in:
 1. A “CHAMP” season shall be a challenged hunter access/mobility permit holder as established under R12-4-217.
 2. A “youth-only hunt” shall be under the age of 18. A youth hunter whose 18th birthday occurs during a “youth-only hunt” for which the youth hunter has a valid permit or tag may continue to participate for the duration of that “youth-only hunt.”
 3. A “pursuit-only” season may use dogs to pursue bears, mountain lions, or raccoons as designated by Commission Order, but shall not kill or capture the quarry. A person participating in a “pursuit-only” season shall possess and, at the request of Department personnel, produce an appropriate and valid hunting license and any required tag for taking the animal pursued, even though there shall be no kill.
 4. A “restricted season” may use any lawful method authorized for a specific species under R12-4-304, except dogs may not be used to pursue the wildlife for which the season was established.
 5. An “archery-only” season shall not use any other weapons, including crossbows or bows with a device that holds the bow in a drawn position except as authorized under R12-4-216. A person participating in an “archery-only” season may use one or more the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Bows and arrows, and
 - b. Falconry.
 6. A “handgun, archery, and muzzleloader (HAM)” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Bows and arrows,
 - b. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - c. Handguns, and
 - d. Muzzle-loading rifles as defined under R12-4-301.
 7. A “muzzleloader” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Bows and arrows;
 - b. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device; and
 - c. Muzzleloading rifles or handguns, as defined under R12-4-301.
 8. A “limited weapon” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps,
 - b. Bows and arrows,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - e. Dogs,
 - f. Falconry,
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - h. Nets,

- i. Pneumatic weapons discharging a single projectile .25 caliber or smaller, or
 - j. Slingshots.
9. A “limited weapon hand or hand-held implement” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Catch-pole,
 - b. Hand,
 - c. Snake hook, or
 - d. Snake tongs.
 10. A “limited weapon-pneumatic” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Capture by hand,
 - b. Dogs,
 - c. Falconry,
 - d. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - e. Nets,
 - f. Pneumatic weapons discharging a single projectile .25 caliber or smaller, or
 - g. Slingshots.
 11. A “limited weapon-rimfire” season may only use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps,
 - b. Bows and arrows,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - e. Dogs,
 - f. Falconry,
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - h. Nets,
 - i. Pneumatic weapons,
 - j. Rifled firearms using rimfire cartridges,
 - k. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or
 - l. Slingshots.
 12. A “limited weapon-shotgun” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps,
 - b. Bows and arrows,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - e. Dogs,
 - f. Falconry,
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - h. Nets,
 - i. Pneumatic weapons,
 - j. Shotgun shooting shot or slug, or
 - k. Slingshots.
 13. A “limited weapon-shotgun shooting shot” season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - a. Any trap except foothold traps,
 - b. Bows and arrows,
 - c. Capture by hand,
 - d. Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - e. Dogs,
 - f. Falconry,
 - g. Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - h. Nets,
 - i. Pneumatic weapons,
 - j. Shotgun shooting shot, or
 - k. Slingshots.
 14. A “falconry-only” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under A.R.S. §

17-236(C) or R12-4-407. A falconer participating in a “falconry-only” season shall use no other method of take except falconry.

15. A “raptor capture” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under R12-4-407.

R12-4-319

Use of Aircraft to Take Wildlife

- A. For the purposes of this Section, “locate” means any act or activity that does not take or harass wildlife and is directed at locating or finding wildlife in a hunt area.
- B. An individual shall not take or assist in taking wildlife from or with the aid of aircraft.
- C. Except in hunt units with Commission-ordered special seasons under R12-4-115 and R12-4-120 and hunt units with seasons only for mountain lion and no other concurrent big game season, an individual shall not locate or assist in locating wildlife from or with the aid of an aircraft in a hunt unit with an open big game season. This restriction begins 48 hours before the opening of a big game season in a hunt unit and extends until the close of the big game season for that hunt unit.
- D. An individual who possesses a special big game license tag for a special season under R12-4-115 or R12-4-120 or an individual who assists or will assist such a licensee shall not use an aircraft to locate wildlife beginning 48 hours before and during a Commission-ordered special season.
- E. This Section does not apply to any individual acting within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to manage or protect or aid in the management or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.

R12-4-320

Harassment of Wildlife

- A. In addition to the provisions established under A.R.S. § 17-301, it is unlawful to harass, molest, chase, rally, concentrate, herd, intercept, torment, or drive wildlife with or from any aircraft as defined under R12-4-301, or with or from any motorized terrestrial or aquatic vehicle.
- B. This Section does not apply to individuals acting:
 1. In accordance with the provisions established under A.R.S. § 17-239; or
 2. Within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to manage or protect or aid in the management or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.

R12-4-321

Restrictions for Taking Wildlife in City, County, or Town Parks and Preserves

- A. All city, county, and town parks and preserves are closed to hunting, unless open by Commission Order.
- B. Unless otherwise provided under Commission Order or rule, a city, county, or town may:
 1. Limit or prohibit any individual from hunting or trapping within 1/4 mile of any:
 - a. Developed picnic area,
 - b. Developed campground,
 - c. Boat ramp,
 - d. Shooting range,
 - e. Occupied structure, or
 - f. Golf course.
 2. Require an individual entering a city, county, or town park or preserve, for the purpose of hunting, to declare the individual’s intent to hunt when entering the park or preserve, if the park or preserve has an entry station in operation.
 3. Allow an individual to take wildlife in a city, county, or town park or preserve only during the posted park or preserve hours.

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R12-4-322

Pickup and Possession of Wildlife Carcasses or Parts

A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:

1. "Fresh" means the majority of the wildlife carcass or part is not exposed dry bone and is comprised mainly of hair, hide, or flesh.
 2. "Not fresh" means the majority of the wildlife carcass or part is exposed dry bone due to natural processes such as scavenging, decomposition, or weathering.
- B. If not contrary to federal law or regulation, an individual may pick up and possess a fresh wildlife carcass or other wildlife parts that are not fresh without a permit or inspection by a Department officer.
- C. If not contrary to federal law or regulation, an individual may only pick up and possess a fresh wildlife carcass or its parts under this Section if the individual notifies the Department prior to pick up and possession and:
1. The Department's first report or knowledge of the carcass or its parts is voluntarily provided by the individual wanting to possess the carcass or its parts;
 2. A Department law enforcement officer is able to observe the carcass or its parts at the site where the animal was found in the same condition and location as when the animal was originally found by the individual wanting to possess the carcass or its parts; and
 3. A Department law enforcement officer, using the officer's education, training, and experience, determines the animal died from natural causes. The Department may require the individual to take the officer to the site where the animal carcass or parts were found when an adequate description or location cannot be provided to the officer.
- D. If a Department law enforcement officer determines that the individual wanting to possess the carcass or its parts is authorized to do so under subsection (C), the officer may authorize possession of the carcass or its parts.
- E. Wildlife parts picked up and possessed from areas under control of jurisdictions that prohibit such activity, such as other states, reservations, or national parks, are illegal to possess in this state.
- F. This Section does not authorize the pickup and possession of a threatened or endangered species carcass or its parts.

R12-4-609

Commission Orders

A. Except as provided in subsection (B):

1. At least 20 calendar days before a meeting where the Commission will consider a Commission Order, the Department shall ensure that a public meeting notice and agenda for the public meeting is posted in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.02. The Department shall also issue a public notice of the recommended Commission Order to print and electronic media at least 20 calendar days before the meeting.
 2. The Department shall ensure that the public meeting notice and agenda contains the date, time, and location of the Commission meeting where the Commission Order will be considered and a statement that the public may attend and present written comments at or before the meeting.
 3. The Department shall also ensure that the public meeting notice and agenda states that a copy of the proposed Commission Order is available for public inspection at the Department offices in Phoenix, Pinetop, Flagstaff, Kingman, Yuma, Tucson, and Mesa 10 calendar days before the meeting. The Commission may make changes to the recommended Commission Order at the Commission meeting.
- B. The requirements of subsection (A) do not apply to Commission orders establishing:
1. Supplemental hunts as prescribed in R12-4-115, and

2. Special seasons for individuals that possess special license tags issued under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.
- C. The Department shall publish the content of all Commission orders and make them available to the public without charge.

R12-4-801

Wildlife Areas General Provisions

A. Wildlife areas shall be established to:

1. Provide protective measures for wildlife, habitat, or both; and
2. Allow for special management or research practices; and
3. Enhance wildlife and habitat conservation.

B. Wildlife areas shall be:

1. Lands owned or leased by the Commission and managed by the Department, or
2. Federally-owned lands of unique wildlife habitat where cooperative agreements provide wildlife management and research implementation.
3. Any lands with property interest conveyed to the Commission by any entity, through approved land use agreement, including but not limited to deeds, patents, leases, conservation easements, special use permits, licenses, agreement, management agreement, inter-agency agreements, letter agreements, and right-of-entry, where said property interest is sufficient for management of the lands consistent with the objectives of the wildlife area.

C. Wildlife area designation shall not be given to any private lands, or lands in which private parcels are located, solely for the purpose of protecting private property. Wildlife area designation on private property, or where private property is involved, shall be considered by the Commission only when the Commission and the owners arrive at a mutual agreement that shall not confine or restrict the Department in fulfilling management or research objectives, nor close the area to hunting, trapping, or fishing.

D. Land qualified for wildlife areas shall be:

1. Lands with unique topographic or vegetative characteristics that contribute to wildlife,
2. Lands where certain wildlife species are confined because of habitat demands,
3. Lands that can be physically managed and modified to attract wildlife, or
4. Lands that are identified as critical habitat for certain wildlife species during critical periods of their life cycles.

E. The Department may restrict public access to and public use of wildlife areas and the resources of wildlife areas for up to 90 days when necessary to protect property, ensure public safety, or to ensure maximum benefits to wildlife. Closures or restrictions exceeding 90 days shall require Commission approval.

F. Closures of all or any part of a wildlife area to public entry, and any restriction to public use of a wildlife area, shall be listed in this Article or shall be clearly posted at each entrance to the wildlife area. No person shall conduct an activity restricted by this Article or by such posting.

G. When a wildlife area is posted against travel except on existing roads, no person shall drive a motor-operated vehicle over the countryside except by road.

THE FOLLOWING RULE IS EFFECTIVE JUNE 17, 2014

R12-4-802

Wildlife Area and Other Department Managed Property Restrictions

A. No person shall violate the following restrictions on Wildlife Areas:

1. Alamo Wildlife Area (located in Units 16A and 44A):
 - a. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - b. Overnight public camping in the wildlife area

outside of Alamo State Park allowed for no more than 14 days within a 45-day period.

- c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except an individual may use a vehicle on or off road to pick up lawfully taken big game animals. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
2. Allen Severson Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
- a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to discharge of all firearms from April 1 through July 31 annually.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from April 1 through July 31 annually.
3. Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (located in Units 31 and 32):
- a. Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area is by permit only, available through the Safford Office of the Bureau of Land Management.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
4. Arlington Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
- a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Target or clay bird shooting permitted in designated areas only.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rifled firearms.
5. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area (located in Units 39, 26M):
- a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. No target or clay bird shooting.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rifled firearms.
6. Becker Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
- a. No open fires.
 - b. No overnight public camping.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.

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- d. The Becker Lake boat launch access road and parking areas along with any other posted portions of the wildlife area will be closed to all public entry from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise daily.
- e. Posted portions closed to all public entry from December through July 31 annually.
- f. Posted portions closed to hunting.
- g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rifled firearms.
- 7. Bog Hole Wildlife Area (located in Unit 35B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 8. Chevelon Canyon Ranches Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads and areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 9. Chevelon Creek Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads and areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. Additional posted portions closed to all public entry from October 1 through February 1 annually.
 - g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 1 through February 1 annually.
- 10. Cibola Valley Conservation and Wildlife Area (located in unit 43A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated and administrative roads and areas only for the purpose of retrieving lawfully taken big game animals. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry from August 17 through September 30 annually.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except legal weapons restricted to shotguns shooting shot and bow and arrow.
- 11. Clarence May and C.H.M. May Memorial Wildlife Area (located in Unit 29):
 - a. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
 - b. Closed to hunting.
- 12. Cluff Ranch Wildlife Area (located in Unit 31):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
- b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
- c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than five days within a 14-day period.
- d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
- e. Posted portions around Department housing and Pond Three are closed to discharge of all firearms.
- f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
- 13. Colorado River Nature Center Wildlife Area (located in Unit 15D):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles, law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Closed to hunting.
- 14. Fool Hollow Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3C):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. The parking area adjacent to Sixteenth Avenue and other posted portions of the wildlife area will be closed to all public entry daily from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, except for anglers possessing a valid fishing license accessing Fool Hollow Lake/Show Low Creek.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 15. House Rock Wildlife Area (located in Unit 12A):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles, law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 16. Jacques Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rifled firearms.
- 17. Lamar Haines Wildlife Area (located in Unit 7):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. Wood cutting and collecting limited to dead and down material, for noncommercial use only.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 18. Lower San Pedro River Wildlife Area (located in Units 32 and 37B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than five days within a 14-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting.
 - g. Parking in designated areas only.
- 19. Luna Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. Posted portions closed to all public entry from February 15 through July 31 annually.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except when closed to from April 1 through July 31 annually.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
- 20. Mitty Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 43B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 10 days per calendar year.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry from November 15 through February 15 annually.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from November 15 through February 15 annually.
- 21. Powers Butte (Mumme Farm) Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on posted designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-804, target or clay bird shooting is permitted in designated areas only.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
- 22. Quigley-Achee Wildlife Area (located in Unit 41):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No overnight public camping.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry from September 1 through March 31 annually.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under

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- R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from September 1 through March 31 annually.
23. Raymond Wildlife Area (located in Unit 5B):
 - a. Overnight public camping permitted in designated sites only, for no more than 14 consecutive days.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110 (G). All-terrain and utility type vehicles are prohibited. For the purpose of this subsection, all-terrain and utility type vehicle means a motor vehicle having three or more wheels fitted with large tires and is designed chiefly for recreational use over roadless, rugged terrain. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 except posted portions closed to hunting periodically during hunting seasons.
 - d. Members of the public are prohibited from being within 1/4 mile of the Raymond Wildlife Area buffalo herd while on Raymond Wildlife Area, except when taking buffalo or accompanied by Department personnel.
 - e. Prior to entering Raymond Wildlife Area, members of the public shall sign in at a posted sign-in kiosk and by doing so acknowledge they have read and shall comply with the posted Raymond Wildlife Areas restrictions.
 24. Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset daily. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Parking in designated areas only.
 - f. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-804, target or clay bird shooting is permitted in designated areas only.
 - g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 except:
 - i. Posted portions around Department housing closed to the discharge of all firearms; and
 - ii. Wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
 25. Roosevelt Lake Wildlife Area (located in Units 22, 23, and 24B):
 - a. Posted portions closed to all public entry from November 15 through February 15 annually.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from November 15 through February 15 annually.
 26. Santa Rita Wildlife Area (located in Unit 34A):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except that the take of wildlife with firearms is prohibited from March 1 through August 31.
 27. Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions around Department housing is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 28. Springerville Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
 - f. Closed to hunting.
 29. Sunflower Flat Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No overnight public camping.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 30. Three Bar Wildlife Area (located in Unit 22):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season, as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, which is closed to hunting, unless otherwise provided under Commission Order.
 31. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 38M):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except:
 - i. Portions posted as closed to hunting, and
 - ii. Wildlife area is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 - c. Archery deer and archery javelina hunters must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield.
 32. Upper Verde River Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8 and 19A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire department, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of firearms within a one mile radius of visitor parking area.
 33. Wenima Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 34. White Mountain Grasslands Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No overnight public camping.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except as permitted under R12-4-110(G). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 35. Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than three days within a seven-day period.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry from October 15 through March 15 annually.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
 36. Wilcox Playa Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30A):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than five days within a 14-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry from October 15 through March 15 annually.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 15 through March 15 annually.
- B. Notwithstanding Commission Order 40, public access and use of the Hirsch Conservation Education Area and Bisquit Tank is limited to activities conducted and offered by the Department and in accordance with the Department's special management objectives for the property, which include, but are not limited to, flexible harvest, season, and methods that:
1. Allow for a variety of fishing techniques, fish harvest, fish consumption, and catch and release educational experiences;
 2. Maintain a healthy, productive, and balanced fish community and
 3. Provide public education activities and training courses that are compatible with the management of aquatic wildlife.

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